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TROOPS TO REMAIN IN GOLDFIELD

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Jan. 1.—Upon orders from Washington all the troops now in Goldfield will remain indefinitely.

Instructions were sent to Colonel Boynton, who is in charge of the soldiers here, to keep his men in the strike district until further orders.

The men will be quartered at the Mesa-baum's Hotel. Everything is quiet, and from present appearances the soldiers will have little to do.

WIPING OUT PLAGUE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—The bubonic plague is almost eradicated as a result of the vigorous sanitary campaign conducted during the past four months by the United States Marine Hospital service.

Testimony Given Before Finance Commissio
n Regard to Alderman Sent in To-da
Whole Matter to Be Probed.

Attorney Michael J. Sughrue and Secretary Farley of the Finance Commission to-day sent trict Attorney Moran for investigation by th Jury the evidence given before the Commissio day referring to the way in which the city wa in the purchase of Fourth of July and ot prizes by Alderman George H. Battis, wh ter in charge.

The evidence of the clerks of the Thomas Long Com testified that they were asked to make out bills which would enable Battis to secure for himself more than $400 of the city's money, has been turned over to the Grand Jury in detail, and those clerks will undoubtedly be called before the investigating body.

Battis, according to one of the clerks, told him that he had to di vide the graft with other members of the celebration committee.

BATTIS CANNOT BE FOUND

City Hall officials are excited as they have never been since the beginning o the Grand Jury investigations, over the sensational revelations in which Alderman Battis figures and they fear that when the case goes before the grand jury in detectives will surely follow.

Battis could not be found at any of hi

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DECEMBER'S STORY
OF
GAIN AND LOSS

A comparison of the Advertising in Boston's Four Leading Newspapers in December, 1907, with that of December, 1906, shows the American the only one of the four to make gains Reduced to figures, the story is as follows:

1st	Boston American	In Local Advertising Alone	Gained	67,345 Lines
2d	Boston ——	All Kinds of Advertising	Lost	27,364 Lines
3d	Boston ——	All Kinds of Advertising	Lost	99,603 Lines
4th	Boston ——	All Kinds of Advertising	Lost	113,175 Lines

Advertisers are learning that the guarantee of profitable advertising is Homeward Bound Circulation. The AMERICAN has it

Watch the Homeward Bound Trolleys, Trains and Boats

LEAP YEAR ROMANCE OF
DAY'S AMERICAN

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...AKEN TO JAIL

...an. I Miss Estelle ...West One Hundred and ...t had been shopping ...was passing the brick ...ch at Thirty-seventh ...ng woman slipped up ...rprised at the fancy ...carried in her right ...ined more than $200 in ...had a very good grip ...e now with redoubled ...arked her half ...ringer.

...saw that her ...ng bag had proved a ...id not release her grip and ...ger with me realized that ...great crowd that had gathered ...art to pursue. She realized, too, ...only chance of escape lay in ...a diversion. So she also set up a ...Police," at the same time tugging ...desperately than ever at the end ...he handbag. She had grasped ...wheeled, pausing and screaming, the ...men were still battling for the treasure ...Policeman from ran up. The pick-...ket was the first to get him.

"Arrest that woman," she cried, pointing ...Miss Cohen. "She is trying to steal my ...handbag."

"That's not true," cried the other. "It's ...my handbag. She is the thief."

Drum separated the combatants and ...took them to the West Thirtieth Station. ...There Miss Cohen described the contents ...of the bags, the other woman confident, although she made a brave guess, and thus ...Lieutenant Mason got the situation to ...rights.

POSTMASTER MANSFIELD IN

...ceremonies attending the completion ...term of Postmaster George A. Hib... ...of the turning over the postoffice ...the postmaster, Edward C. Mans... ...completed about 9:45 last even... ...the morning Mr Mansfield takes ...

...the change the 147 sub... ...Boston postal district closed ...yesterday, and the 16 full ...in A in addition under the ...the various stations ...and closed the re... ...necessary to be retained ...to close a postal train... ...the property in the possession ...addressed and be must make an ...exact report of the quantity of property ...in his charge.

LOOK OUT FOR MOYNAHAN—He is around Roxbury Crossing this week. He sleutns and he sees and he sketches for the SUNDAY AMERICAN. So watch out.

COLDS CAUSE HEADACHE. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE removes the cause. Then headache stops. 25c. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

WOMAN LABOR LEADER SPEAKS

"The Power of the Wage Earner" is the subject of an address to be delivered in Faneuil Hall at 8 o'clock tonight by Mrs Cobeldon Sanderson, daughter of Richard Cobeldon, the noted English champion of the working people. Mrs Sanderson has for years been an active worker in the Independent Labor party in London.

Grand Annual Clearance Sale

PRICES CUT FROM 15 TO 50%

Smith-Patterson Co.

Diamond Merchants, Jewelers and Silversmiths
Very Desirable Articles in Every Department

SUPERB GOODS FOR WEDDING AND AID ANNIVERSARY GIFTS AS WELL AS FOR PERSONAL USE.

A Few Articles in This SaleSale Enumerated Below:

JEWELRY

1 14 K Gold Lorgnette Diamond Center. Was $55, now $42.
1 fine imported Rose Quartz Pendant, Necklace, Oriental design. Was $75, now $27.
1 rare fine long string of large Whitby Jet Beads. Was $25, now $12.50.
Sterling Silver Stone Set Brace-lets, reduced from $3.50 to $2.50 each.
Imported Hatpins, reduced from $1.50 each to 75c.
Bracelets, worth $1.50 and $2 each, reduced to 50c.
Cameo Brooches, reduced from $2 to $1.50 each.

UMBRELLAS

Very Fine Silk Umbrellas, $5.00, were $5.75.
Umbrellas, good value. Were $2.00, now $1.50.
Fine Assortment Walking Sticks, 25 per cent. discount from regular prices, $1.50 to $4.00.

LEATHER GOODS

1 Lady's Walrus Seal, Sterling Fitted Traveling Bag, 9 pieces. Was $50, now $40.
1 Green Morocco Lady's Envelope Bag. Was $15.75, now $10.00.
Ladies' Pocket Books, reduced from $5.00 and $6.00 to $3.00.

DIAMONDS

1 Diamond Pendant or Brooch, fine white stones set in gold, worth $500. Price was $425, now $325.
1 Diamond Pendant and Brooch, fine white diamonds set in platinum. Was $200, now $150.
1 Oriental Sapphire and Diamond Ring set in platinum, unusual design. Was $90, now $60.

SILVER

1 Mahogany Chest, sterling silver, 78 pieces, knives, forks and spoons, in French gray, antique pointed handle, wreath and scroll design, magnificent gift. Was $125, now $100.
1 15-piece Quadruple Plate Tea Set, plain silver, heavy applied border, made by Reed & Barton. Was $20, now $17.
1 Sterling Silver, 9-inch Oval Bowl, open work edge, heavy weight. Was $25, now $15.

WATCHES

1 pierced rose finish with diamond flowers Watch with Chatelaine Pin. Was $300, now $225.
1 17 Line Silver Dial Open Face Watch, extra thin. Was $60, now $45.
2 12 Size Open Face Elgin Watches, with gold dials and gold filled cases. Were $25, now $20.

TO BE FOUND IN OUR NEW ART ROOMS

CLOCKS

1 Mahogany Hall Clock, gothic design, Westminster and Whittington chimes, an 8 bells. Was $500, now $300.
1 Mahogany Inlaid Mantle Clock. Was $20, now $10.
1 Olive Wood Desk Clock, Louis XVI. Was $15.50, now $7.00.

CHINA

1 Dozen French China Dinner Plates, handsome gold and flow-ered border. Were $12, now $6.
1 Dozen French China Fruit Saucers, violet decoration, with some gold borders. Were $5.00, now $2.50.
1 Gold Butter Plates, wide border, dragon pattern. Were $5.00, now $3.50.

GLASS

1 Bohemian Glass Basket, good size, very handsome. Was $5.00, now $3.00.
1 Rock Crystal Bowl, 9 inches in diameter. Was $6.75, now $5.00.
1 Cut Glass Sauce, deep cutting, very handsome. Were $1.00, now 85c.

ELECTROLIERS

1 Real Bronze Viking dark green finish, made by DuBarr & Bindorff Co. Was $300, now $150.
1 Dining Room Shade, nasturtium design, fish net glass, mounted in rich bronze 6 lights, large magnificent piece by DuBarr & Bindorff Co. Was $100, now $150.
1 Real Bronze and Cut Glass Louis XV. Electrolier, gold finish. Has 5 inverted piece. Was $100, now $50.

SUMMER STREET

"ALMOST"

By MORTON BIRGE

I dreamed I swore off on all follies and fun.
All foolish and frivolous things I have done;
No more the big bottle and birdlet for mine,
No more the broad way, but the strait, narrow line;
No more the bad expletive out of my lips,
No more the big "D——" and such lingual slips.
No more of the stay-away nights at the club,
It's me for the home, like a well broken cub.
It's cut out the cards and the rackets and sport
And turn flat away from King Jolity's court.
I dreamed all these things, and just then from my dream
I woke with a terrified, horrified scream.
So real did it seem, so complete was my scare,
I almost in earnest swore off then and there—

ALMOST!

SAVES BABES IN BURNING HOUSE

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1. Robert Holmes Page, a smoker, rescued his two small children at the peril of his life early today when the destroyed Mount Airy, the magnificent country residence of Mr and Mrs Page were in Philadelphia until late. When they reached home and opened the front door they were greeted by a solid sheet of flames. Page himself grasped a ladder, mounted to a second story window and carried the children to safety as the flames swept around him. The property was owned jointly by Samuel Page, a son of Harrison Page, the noted financier.

COAL STRIKE IN BROCKTON

BROCKTON, Jan. 1. The city began the new year with a labor fight. More determined than ever before, the coal, hay and grain dealers have refused absolutely to make any concessions to the teamsters, who have demanded $2.50 for an eight-hour day, instead of $2.37½, the price now paid, and the men are equally determined in their fight to enforce the demand.

The union fixed last night at 12 o'clock as the time limit in which the dealers could give assurances. The limit expired without a single large dealer granting the demand.

The 125 teamsters gather at their headquarters on School street at 9 o'clock to discuss plans. They have the support of the International union, and President Toohy of Boston will preside over here today.

GIVE EIGHT MILLION ALMANACS AWAY

With the advent of the new year 8,000,000 Poems Lachman almanacs have been issued to dealers throughout the country for free distribution. The company announces that some may secure a copy if application is made before the supply is exhausted.

...ARRAIGNED FOR SLAYING HER ...BAND CHILDREN

...Emma Huntley Faces ...harge of Drowning ...Little Ones.

...DUE TO INSANITY

...A Hunter, who drowned ...second Sunday and his two ...Caroline, two children ...night in the pond on ...Dorchester, ...and then carrying the ...children on the morning ...before Judge Wentworth ...murder of her grand ...Huntley, ...counsel, ...and Mrs Hunter was ...March ...

...'s Calm

...Huntley, ...children of ...Huntley, ...supposed ...and ...adopted ...th her ...mond ...grand ...

...ans. M Huntley ...efore said ...of wives, and ...attempt upon ...

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...In an en... ...ded and capt... ...Glidden, the a... ...the Glidden ...fight next Sunday ...to Boston, a distance ...balloon. The ballo... ...ever sailed in this ...capacity of 85,000 cubic ...This long flight will be ...of capturing the Lahm ...passenger trip in this country ...he succeed in negotiating the ...Glidden will gain the cove... ...leading all existing records.

...Though the balloon in which ...make the trip will hold fifteen ...Glidden will be accompanied on ...Stevens, who will hold the ...ing, and H. H. Clayton of the ...Observatory.

COUPLE CHARGE ... CONCERN WORKED ...

INJUNCTION RESTRAINS FIRM F... CLOSING MORTGAGE PENDING ...

False and fraudulent representations are charged in the suit brought by Saul and Julia Hodin of No. 250 Salem street against the Bankers Loan company, from whom they borrowed $75 in February, 1904.

An injunction has been issued restraining the respondents from foreclosing a mortgage taken on all the furniture owned by the plaintiffs, and the case has been marked for January 6 for assignment for trial in the Superior Court by Attorney George W. Reed, their attorney.

Mr Hodin says that he was led to believe that by paying a mortgage on his piano to the former president of the company, W. W. Flinney, now deceased, he would have the mortgage covered and his household effects.

"Demanded $236."

The respondents in their answer say that Mr Hodin paid only $12.50 on the piano, but one says he has receipts for $43.50 on the principal and that he has paid all of the interest and that he was given no receipts for much of the money he paid.

"I was willing to pay all that I owed," said Mr Hodin today to a reporter for the BOSTON AMERICAN, "but I became convinced that I was being fraudulently dealt with. For instance, they came to me with a demand for $236. I can't pay it. I had ...

...Would Settle for $70

"Those men wanted me to sign a mortgage for $236 and I started to do it, but my wife stepped in and I refused. She didn't. After I brought suit I offered to settle. I owed them only $70 and I was willing to pay that much. Now they want $236."

Mr Hodin said that he went to the office to offer money to be applied on the note, charged me up for almost ... and refused to receive it. "I have ... cent. I am willing to pay $43.50 ... $70 worth of goods, but I refuse to ... to purchase instalments. ... no receipts and all I paid in the ... credit for. Now I have taken ... lawyer would be able to ... up ... An accountant, as well as ... Bates, Nov. 1, 1906 ... defendant.

DRAIN DEATH POO... IN HUNT FOR CL...

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woman or her friend at Kearney until the matter is investigated.

A detective was sent to Camden today to interview the husband and investigate the case in the hope that the clue will give the officers something to work on.

With all tentative identifications of the murdered woman dissipated by investigation, the police have turned back to the first story of the missing Agnes O'Keefe. She has not yet turned up alive, so far as the police can learn.

Sergeant Walsh told an AMERICAN reporter today that he is searching for a man flying a Hafford, who had an engagement to take dinner with Agnes O'Keefe on the night before Christmas.

"I want to clear up the doubt as to whether the dead woman was Agnes O'Keefe," he declared. "In order to do this it will be necessary to get this man. He knows something changes my plans I hope to take this step at once."

Mystery Grows Deeper.

Mystery deeper and more impenetrable than ever fell upon the tragedy of Lamp Black Swamp to-day.

Mrs. Frank Hall's positive identification of the victim of the Christmas night murder as Mrs. Agnes Young utterly confused before the appearance of Mrs. Young in the flesh, with a written denial by Mrs. Hall told the police.

Agnes Young, who is in the employ of a real estate firm at No. 315 Madison avenue, ...

...was assistant accountant at the ... Ansonia, and knew Mrs. Hall ... retrieved her, but have not seen ... for the past two years. Any other ... concerning her are alone ... false. (Signed) AGNES YOUNG.

...ong, therefore, knew Mrs. Hall ... is also vouched for by others ... such women. Moreover, there ... Mrs. H. Meyers, with whom Mrs. ... visited Mrs. Young in her rooms ... Mr. and Mrs. Meyers is reported to ... on a Jersey train to spend the ... holidays.

...ers Accounted For

... from Plattsburg, N. Y., last ... at Meyers left there about ... to spend Christmas at his ... ville, N. J. He is a piano ... in Troy, and is about ... 40, swarthy-faced, and ... The despatch said he ... back at his place of em... February 1.

... is striking, and merely ...markable complications ... out of this tragedy ...

Whether Meyers and Mrs. Agnes Young are acquainted is not known.

Meyers has not yet been heard from although by the belief that they completely established the identity of the murdered woman, the police yesterday sent out a dragnet for the man.

With the situation standing thus, the attention was directed towards the search for the two men who spent Christmas night on the yacht Ida Bloom. Albert Thomp... and Frederick Kilkann, who are ... lodged in the jail at Jersey City in default of $5,000 bail each, on charges of ... suspicious persons.

A cable despatch from England yesterday announced that Rachel Richardson, a woman whose description ... found on the yacht Monday, has been ... at Beach Lawn, Bexley, Derbyshire, where she is a domestic in the employ of Dr. Johnson.

FATHER AND SON ARREST... IN BANK CRA...

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 1. A... suit of two officials ... in the ... County Bank, ... bank examiner, charging ... funds of the First National Bank of ... bonds. Otto C. N. Schmidt, ... president of the bank, and his son, W. ... Harry Schmidt, ... former ... cashier, have been arrested and released ... on bail. W. Harry Schmidt is charged with falsely reporting overdrafts to the comptroller of the currency and with misapplication of funds. ... Schmidt is charged with aiding his son in the alleged ... funds.

The bank was capitalized at $100,000. According to the books the Schmidt family owned $88,600 of the stock.

The Schmidts say the charges are technical and that the bank will pay dollar for dollar.

COUNT TOLSTOI INJURED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 1. News has reached here of an accident to Count Leo Tolstoi. He was thrown by a crumpling horse and received a dislocated shoulder.

January Sale of Reliable Linens This Week

...ompany ...Street

January Sale of Mus... Under... This W...

...use Garment...

...BES—KIMO...

Reduced Pr...

BATH ROBES.

Not every woman in Boston is a... our second floor parlors. We propose t... women to visit this department some day

RIPPLE EIDERDOWN BATH ROBES, ... embroidered, trimmed with silk cord and ... $16.75 values. Reduced price .....

RIPPLE EIDERDOWN ROBES, with fancy ... light blue, pink, gray and lavender, worth ... each. On sale at .....

EIDERDOWN ROBES, with Dutch and V n... both trimmed, assorted colors, worth $8.50 ... Now .....

EIDERDOWN ROBES, in plain colors, ... trimmed, best quality, regular $7.50 values. ... price .....

EIDERDOWN ROBES, in plain colors, light b... lavender, worth $4.50 each. Clearing Pri... price .....

EIDERDOWN AND BLANKET ROBES, ... trimmings, variety of colorings, values ... $6.00 and $7.00. Reduced to .....

BEST RIPPLE EIDERDOWN DRESSI... deep collar, ribbon and cord trimmings, sl... fancy cuffs, $4.50 values. Reduced to .....

EIDERDOWN DRESSING SACQUES, ... trimmings, assortment of colors, worth $... At .....

EIDERDOWN DRESSING SACQUES ... der, red and pink, worth $4.98 ... price .....

FLEECEDOWN ROBES, in floral ... fluffy ruffle sleeves ... values. Priced .....

...OSEVELT ...RIPS HANDS ...OF THOUSANDS

Long Line of Well-Wishers Winds Through White House at Brilliant Reception.

KINGS SEND GREETINGS

WASHINGTON Jan. 1—President and Mrs. Roosevelt wished all the world a Happy New Year today and, in return received the good wishes of all the Kings Queens and potentates of the earth and the "plain people" of the United States.

When the old Napoleon clock in the blue parlor of the White House began to strike the hour of 11, three scarlet coated gaglers raised their golden horns to their lips and the Presidential and his wife appeared. In front of the first lady and gentleman of the land, glittering with gold lace and clanging with swords and cockbands were the President's eight military and naval aides.

Closely following the President and Mrs. Roosevelt came the Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks and the nine Cabinet members and their ladies.

The Presidential Grip.

Colonel Charles S. Bromwell, the principal social aide, stood beside the west door of the room and received from each official caller his name and title. He then repeated the name in a loud tone, the President smiled, extended his hand, and gave the caller the New Year's grip he knows best who was stationed at the President's right, carried a handsome bouquet of flowers.

The Cabinet ladies stood at the right of Mrs. Roosevelt and greeted the visitors with smiles and bows.

Soon after the members of the diplomatic corps, the judiciary, the members of Congress and the army and navy paid their respects, Mrs. Roosevelt and the Cabinet ladies adjourned to the upper part of the house, where light refreshments were served.

The line of citizens, which followed the official list, extended far down the street from the west gate of the White House beyond the war, State and navy building, to Corcoran Art Gallery. As fast as the individuals moved up others came from somewhere to take their places. There were citizens from every walk in life and from every corner of the world, and the costumes they wore, represented generations of styles.

The Diplomatic Corps.

As upon last New Year's Day, the Ambassador from Italy, Baron Edmonds Mayor Des Planches was the first to be received as dean of the corps. He was accompanied by the Baroness and by the members of his suite. Closely following the Italian Ambassador came Baron Hengelmuller von Hengervar, the Ambassador from Austria Hungary; Mr. J. J. Jusserand, the French Ambassador; Freiherr Speck von Sternburg, the German Ambassador; Mr. Joaquin Nabuco, the Ambassador from Brazil; Baron Rosen, the Russian Ambassador; Senor don Enrique L. Creel, the Mexican Ambassador, and Right Hon. James Bryce, the Ambassador from Great Britain.

But Viscount Aoki, the Japanese Ambassador, bows here until today, instead of leaving for his home on Monday as he would have been before that of the British Ambassador. As it was, Japan's station in line was after the Ambassadors and Ministers. Mr. Tsinglin Hiyoaka, the counsellor of the embassy, representing the Mikado's court, and including the little crowd of secretaries and attaches into the White House and past the presidential handshake.

WOMAN'S MIND BLANK AFTER STRANGE TRIP

Special to the Boston American.

...TON, Jan. 1.—How she said ...mysterious fate has overtaken ...ing Miss Edna Cole of Boston, who ...ed in the home of her aunt, ... whither she cannot imagine ... Edna Cole of Boston, who ...ting at the home of her aunt, ...mates of this place, and who ...angely missing since December ... telling her friends and relatives ... Miss Cole returned to her ...ittle last night.

...of Boston and many Massachusetts ...ns and cities had been notified of the young woman's strange disappearance. When she reappeared she could tell her aunt nothing of her wanderings.

"All I can tell you," she says, "is that I remember going from here to Athol, where I remained for a few days, making small articles. Then everything is a blank to me for a perfect blank.

"The next thing that I know I found myself in the main street of Orange. I took a car for Athol, and I hurried here to my aunt's house just as fast as I could. I do not know how I came to go to Orange or who, if anyone, went with me."

PADEREWSKI FOR WARSAW.

WARSAW, Jan. 1.—A telegram has been received here from Ignace Paderewski, in which the well known pianist accepts the directorship of the Warsaw Conservatory of Music.

...ecovered from the Grip

Severe attack of Grip cured by Father John's ...edicine.

...len McCormick, 99 Orange ...lyer, Mass., is just recovered severe attack of the grip ... "I used nothing but ... Medicine. It is a splen... Miss McCormick. ... lung trouble and ...der.

HEALY TELLS BU...EN OF IRISH FARMERS.

Besides a photo of Timothy Healy, militant Nationalist M. P., is shown a typical peat cabin where the impoverished peasant dwells as a result of unjust laws now protested by Irish members of Parliament. A small window in the cabin shows the only means by which the darkened home is partly relieved by the free sunlight.

BATTIS CASE TO GRAND JURY

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sensational haunts today, but some of his friends said that he was in Boston consulting an attorney

Mayor Fitzgerald at his residence to-day said to a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter:

"I know nothing about the Battis case except what I have read in the newspapers. I am very much surprised to find that such a condition as testified to before the Finance Commission has existed. It is impossible however, for a Mayor to guard the city treasury if other officials who must be trusted are disloyal to their trust. It appears that there has been dishonesty. I know nothing of it, however. I am surprised and deeply regret it."

QUESTIONED BY SUGHRUE.

Charles E. Burgin of Brookline, for nearly seventeen years of the Thomas Long Company, told a long story of the sale of the cups to the city of Boston.

"Who acted as the agent of the city?" asked Mr. Sughrue.

"George Battis, an alderman, whom I have known fifteen years."

"How many times did he buy cups?"

"Twice last year, and this year, I think, just before the Fourth."

"He came into our place of business at No. 20 Summer street," said Mr. Burgin, "and wanted to see some prize cups. I took him upstairs, and Mr. Childs and I waited on him. I showed him the cups, and he selected those he didn't remember the amount of the bill. Later, he brought me a list of the events at which the cups were to be prizes, in order to have the cups engraved. He came a third time and wanted a duplicate bill. I asked him what he meant by a duplicate bill, and he said 'a bill of a different nature.'

"Again I asked him what he meant, and he said he wanted the prices of the goods put up. I told him it was against the policy of our firm to do business of that sort, and he asked me to have the bill drawn in my own name, which I did.

"SAID IT WAS ALL RIGHT."

"I went to City Hall to get the money, took out the part that belonged to he Thomas Long Company and gave the rest to him."

He recognized the 1906 bill which Mr. Sughrue showed him and said it was drawn by a stenographer.

"How did you know what prices to charge in this second bill?"

"Mr. Battis gave them to me."

"What else did Battis say?"

"I told him I didn't like to do business in that way, but he said that it was all right and that he had to divide with the rest of the committee. He said the business and I did it. He took the bill to City Hall and I later received a postal from City Hall saying that the money was ready for me and went and got it."

Monday before the Fourth this year," said he, "Mr. Battis came down and informed him over to Mr. Childs to buy prizes for the Fourth before the event again with the list of events and wanted to know if I would bill the cups to myself as last year, and I said I would not.

"He then asked me if I would use Mr. Childs' name and I consented. He had to split money in this way. Mr. Burgin then identified the bill for the actual price of this year's prizes, $141.75.

"I never saw the bill which was presented to the city. He went on, 'Mr. authorized it to be drawn. Battis then said he had to divide with the committee, and that I'd have to do so to get the business. I had a long talk with him, and he said the money would be the last. Then I took him to Mr. Childs, and he and Mr. Childs fixed up the bill.

"BATTIS KEPT COMING."

"What was the bill when fixed up?"

"Four hundred and forty dollars."

"What next?"

"The goods were delivered. Battis kept coming to us to know if the money had been paid, and Mr. Childs was finally told to get the money. We did, and I saw the money to Battis. Battis received out $141.75 to the Long company, and kept the rest. He said he was sorry he had to do it that way, but that he had to divide with the committee as usual."

"Have you talked with Battis since then?"

"Yes; when this Finance Commission was going through the city affairs and then about the prize cups and told him I was worried. He said it would be all right."

Augustus H. Childs of Newton Centre, another salesman, corroborated the evidence of Mr. Burgin.

He said Mr. Burgin had told him to charge this year's cups to himself, and that he had done so. Mr. Battis had also asked several times during July if the bill had been paid, and finally went to City Hall alone and got the money, after waiting hours in the treasurer's office. He took the money with a roll of bills and that afternoon Battis paid Childs counted out $1,175, gave it to Childs, and kept the remainder, according to the witness. He never saw Battis again until last night. He had similar transactions with any member of the city government; Hines was asked at the suggestion of John A. Sullivan of the commission.

REFUSES ... ANSWER.

When Alderman ... was called he positively refused ... Mr. Sughrue's questions.

"Do you know ... Sughrue.

"Yes."

"Do you know ...

"I absolutely ... answer."

"On what ground ...

"Because I d...

"On what ground ... Mr. Sughrue asked again.

"Because I d... the alderman again, "Because to... would tend to in-

...riminate myself."

"I refuse to answer."

"Have you consulted counsel?"

"I refuse to answer."

"Do you mean by that that you will refuse to answer my questions I ask?"

"I shall refuse to answer."

"Mr. Battis said Mr. Sughrue, very gravely, 'he has testified here that you told Mr. Burgin, in the Thomas Long Company, that you wished to buy cups for prizes for the Fourth of July celebration in 1906 and 1907; that you were told the prices of the cups, that you requested him to make out bills different from the true amounts, that you requested him to make out duplicate bills for presentation to the city; finally, in excess of the true prices, that the bills were made out in due accordance to Mr. Burgin and in the other to Mr. Childs; that the money was collected from the city, and that the difference was paid to you. What have you to say to this, sir?'

"I refuse to answer."

"On what ground?"

"Because I do."

"After hearing my question, which you realize amounts to an accusation in a sense, you took no chance of your case by an answer to refuse to make an answer?"

"I refuse to make any answer."

"And you refuse to give any other reason, than the one you have given?"

"I do."

"Then I have nothing further to say," said Mr. Sughrue.

"One moment," said Chairman Matthews, as the witness started to leave the stand. "The commission is of the opinion that you should answer, unless you give the reason that to do so would tend to incriminate you. We will ask you to reconsider the question."

"I must still refuse," said the witness. And he was allowed to leave.

Immediately after the session Mayor Charles W. Davidson, president of the Thomas Long Company, left his business stand. He said: "Both these actions were without my knowledge, and I head of them, after returning from vacation, it was because Mr. Burgin left to me about them. I said, 'You know I have always been opposed to any business ... with the city of Boston, and if you have done anything that I cannot agree to, it is the most boneheaded thing I ever heard.'

"What was your objection to doing business with the city?

"Nothing specific. I don't approve of it, that's all.

"This question and answer were repeated, and then Mr. Sughrue tried once more to get the witness to admit that there is graft in the perennially every purchase of prizes for the city.

"You have goods to sell," suggested Mr. Sughrue, "and you are willing to sell them to anybody who has the money to pay for them; why no to the city?"

I can only answer the question in general terms Mr. Sughrue.

"Is it because you fear you would become involved in a scandal?"

Mr. Davidson declined. "I suspect that is not the right word when Mr. Burgin spoke to me before I went away I said 'You know I am opposed to doing business with the city.' Everything during my connection with this firm, of twenty-five years, has been fair and square."

WHAT IS POWER

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IRISH N... ST IS INTERVIEWED BY THE AME... SPECIAL COMMISSIONER.

By Robert ... Long.

Special Correspondence of the Boston American from Ireland to the American Public.

DUBLIN, Dec. 31.—Political agitation is making no progress toward a settlement of conditions. No progress is conceivable that will permit the country to be freed from the rule of the Englishmen, who don't understand it.

That is the note of all Irish National ists; and it is the note of a talk I had to-day with Timothy Healy, one of the ablest Dublin Four Courts) Healy is in good health and in fighting spirits and his caustic tongue promises lively moments when he next rises in the Parliament of Westminster.

Like all good Irishmen, he begins by saying that he doesn't want to talk, and then talks unceasingly.

"You ask me what the situation in Ireland," he began, "by saying that it is neither better nor worse than it was two years ago. In some shirkers there is a gradual improvement in agriculture and in industry, but against this we are having more bad seasons and other failures of crops.

Privation in the West.

"This year we have been threatened with a famine in the West. It rained without interruption all Summer, and caused a complete failure of the potato crops. Fine weather in September enabled the people to save a little, but in Ireland the privation which is chronic is more serious than ever.

"Is there a prospect for Home Rule?" I asked.

"Irish politics as far as our one great aim goes, are stagnant," replied Healy. "There is no prospect of any home rule bill while the present Parliament lasts. We will not even get a redistribution bill from the government. The introduction of the Irish council bill was a fatal blow to the hopes and aspirations in either direction. The Irish convention unanimously rejected the bill, and the convention was right, and I personally could never understand why the Liberal government was allowed to introduce it in the shape it did.

"This bill was a thoroughly bad one. Only the most ignorant and subservient departments of Irish administration were to be entrusted to Irish people. The money allotted to run them was insufficient. England kept her hands every inch of her executive power.

Seven Hundred Years of Misrule.

"It was an attempt to get rid of the bankrupt stock of seven hundred years of English misrule.

"I should have welcomed a less pretentious bill extending our present system of local government, but I rejected the Council bill in a shape. We could have got just as good a measure from a Conservative government.

"I say that without any bitterness against the present Liberal government.

"Is there anything to be said for Home Rule?"

"Oh, yes," said Healy, "I recognize the fact that opposition makes it hard for any government to grant Home Rule to Ireland. There is no use in opposing with extreme measures everything the Liberal parties propose. A shrimp might as well tackle a shark as a divided Ireland encounter British power. I prefer the policy of business deals with any government. Tory or Liberal. But they must be possible deals that give our country real control in local affairs like the Council bill.

"I see very little weakening in parliamentary opposition to Home Rule, and I am convinced that Home Rule will never be brought about by agreement between the rival Irish forces. To effect that would mean to gain first the confidence of the Unionist minority. But the only way to gain that confidence is to prove to practice that a Home Rule government will oppress no class and no party.

The One National Cure.

"Nothing but a national government can extinguish the bitterness of the Unionist Landlord minority. If we had Home Rule to-morrow, the Protestant Landlords would be given a fair share of offices, and that alone would make them solid with the rest of their countrymen.

"What about this lack of improved conditions?" I asked.

Healey shrugged his shoulders.

"We are believe the exaggerated talk about the new era in Irish farming and the rapid revival of Irish industries," he said. "Farming in Ireland is a bare business, and will always remain so. The average Irish farmer's valuation ,today is $1500, and though you may raise his income after immense labor, to $2500, you will not thereby make Ireland rich. At the present time one of the chief ways of trying to pack eggs, make better butter and breed better cattle, but they will never get further than that.

"The one Ireland prosperous we must have industries. Irish industries can make progress until we get a government imperial enough to talk, and to get a consequent return of confidence to our present capitalist class. The present every thing you buy in an Irish shop comes from England or America.

Political Rest Required.

"Before competent men can start industries in Ireland we must have the settlement of the political question and the settlement of men's minds.

"What is it Ireland wants?" was my last question.

"Oh, many things," replied Healy. "We want public works. The country bill which we rejected gave us nominal authority to build and improve. But it did not give us a tithe of the necessary money. That was one of the strongest reasons why we rejected the bill.

"Just now we want public works, as we want public spirit. Irish men must educate themselves. West Britons. They make money here, but spend their delicate self it for education or charity, it goes to England, and Irish men who made their fortune in Ireland, which made them rich, gets nothing at all.

"For this again, Home Rule is the only cure. Home Rule will make the present prosperity of men take root in their race and in being solid with the rest of the nation.

"Every change which has taken place in Ireland during recent years only intensifies the resolution of our people to control their own destiny. Whatever minor differences of opinion may be existed in the Irish Nationalist party, all are solid on that."

FEAST DAY OF CIRCUMCISION

The Catholic churches around Boston did not have any special services to commemorate the coming in of the new year except the usual ones, although the churches were held. Today, however, the Feast of the Circumcision is celebrated.

The duration society held an all night watch at the altar of the blessed sacrament. Masses started at 5 o'clock this morning and all the members attended.

Today, the Feast of the Circumcision, is a holy day of obligation in all churches are several masses, and solemn high mass is celebrated in the churches, the one in the Cathedral being at 9 o'clock.

To-day's services in all the churches consist of the rosary and benediction of the blessed sacrament.

FRENCH MINISTER DEAD.

PARIS, Jan. 1. Jean Francois Edmond Mayer de Selves, the French minister of justice, dropped dead of apoplexy during the session of the Senate.

CITY CLUB TO HEAR TREAT

Many men of national prominence are to speak in Boston this winter as guests of the Boston City Club. Addi...n L. Winship, chairman of the committee on entertainment, was in Washington recently, and while there obtained the promise of statesmen to come to this city and make speeches on topics of national interest.

The first to be heard will be Hon Charles H. Treat, treasurer of the United States on January 8 on the address he will make on "Financial and Banking Systems" of the country. On January 22 Congressman Henry T. Rainey of Illinois will speak on "Free Trade." Other men of prominence to be heard are Speaker Joseph G. Cannon, Senator Philander C. Knox, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Hon. William B. Ridgely, comptroller of the currency; Hon Joseph G. Russell) Democratic Representative from Louisiana, and Hon. H. W. Wiley, chief of the Bureau of Chemistry.

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'JIM' CURLEY ROUTS 'TOM' IN WARD 17 FIGHT

Alderman Wrests Mastery of Tammany Club from Brother in Spirited Contest.

OUT TO DOWN FITZGERALD

Alderman James M. Curley completely routed Senator Thomas F. Curley in a contest for control of Ward 17 fought out at an early hour this morning. At a meeting of the ward committee for 1908, called for 1 o'clock this morning at the Tammany Club on Hanover street, the committee organized by electing Alderman Curley to succeed Senator Curley as chairman. The meeting showed that Alderman Curley controlled election of the various members of the committee and Senator Curley five.

The committee under the law could not organize before the first day of January and it was organized as soon as it was possible to do so. Alderman Curley himself was not elected a member of the committee, the five members being Daniel J. Ward, one of the members elected, resigned at this morning's meeting, and Alderman Curley was promptly elected to fill the vacancy.

The breach between the two Curleys is now wider than ever, for the years the two have been in municipal politics, is the hardest. During the years which they have contested for the mastery of the municipal political patronage which has made both wealthy men.

Since their breach, which resulted in Tom Curley's expulsion of Tom's friend, William Clark, foreman of the Roxbury grand jury, from the position of foreman of the same department, the Mayor has favored the Senator. Clark was carried on the pay roll as a court officer and was reinstated by the Mayor immediately after the city election.

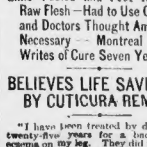
James M. Curley has joined forces with Mayor Fitzgerald in many efforts during the next two years will be made to defeat Mayor Fitzgerald as a political factor in Boston. Last night Thomas H. Hodgdon, Pain and Brennan, voted for P. F. Doherty, Ward 2, for councilor of the Dunn-backHeffernan faction for president of the council, while Curley's friend, Councilman Dowse, voted for Lee F. McCullough, the Mayor's candidate.

SUFFERED WITH ECZEMA 25 YEARS

Limb Peeled and Foot Was Like Raw Flesh—Had to Use Crutches, and Doctors Thought Amputation Necessary — Montreal Woman Writes of Cure Seven Years Ago.

BELIEVES LIFE SAVED BY CUTICURA REMEDIES

"I have been treated by doctors for twenty-five years for a bad case of eczema on my leg. They did their best, but failed to cure it. My doctor had advised me to have my leg cut off, but I said I would try the Cuticura Remedies first. He said, "Try them if you like, but I do not think they will do any good." At this time my



leg was peeled from the knee, my foot was like a piece of raw flesh, and I had to use crutches. I bought a cake of Cuticura Soap, a box of Cuticura Ointment, and a bottle of Cuticura Pills. After the first two treatments the swelling went down, and in two months my leg was cured and the new skin came on. The doctor could not believe his own eyes when he saw that Cuticura had cured me and said that he would use it for his own patients. I used two cakes of Cuticura Soap, three boxes of Ointment, and five bottles of Resolvent, and I have now been cured over seven years, and what for the Cuticura Remedies I might have lost my life. I have lots of grandchildren, and they are frequent users of Cuticura, and I always recommend it to the many people whom my business brings to my house every day. Mrs. Jean Baptiste Renaud, clairvoyant, 277, Montana St., Montreal, Que., Feb. 20, 1907."

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RUINED BY FIRE BLAST

TAUNTON, Jan. 1.—If you were to ask Marie Vieira who she values her beauty at $50,000 she would tell you that was because her lawyer, John H. Trace, advised her to, for all the money in the world, she says, would not repay her for the loss of the face in which she once took so much pride. She is the young woman who has entered suit against the Taunton Dye Works and Bleachery, where she was employed, to recover for her injuries.

Miss Vieira was one of the prettiest girls in Taunton. Twenty-three years of age, with lithe, willowy form, as slim and graceful as the stalk of a flower, with beautiful dark hair which was her crowning beauty, eyes dark and dreamy and an olive skin, with a blush of the peach on either cheek, she was courted and sought after. Now, with the beauty of beauty blotted out by fire she is shunned, no lovers beset her in the park.

Burst of Flame Blinded Her

Marie was employed by the Taunton Dye Works and Bleachery on Court street, for her parents are poor and her earnings went towards the support of the household. With her was another woman, a married woman named Mrs. Green. Marie was bending over her work one bright morning several months ago, when suddenly a sheet of flame burst forth and enveloped her and her companion.

As Rider Haggard's "She" came forth from the pillar of fire which had hitherto given her beauty and eternal life, so came forth the once pretty girl, Marie. Her luxuriant hair was gone and the roots that gave it life were blasted. Its effects pits the features were warped and marred by the fiery blast and the fair, smiling face was gone, never to be fair and smiling again. Her companion died of her burns later.

No Longer Her Pretty Self.

For weeks and weeks Marie Vieira lay on a cot in the Morgan Hospital with her face shielded by a mask. Today one misses in her home, No. 21 Cooper street, never during the week does a hand pass a weak face. She no longer looks into a mirror as she did so proudly before the blighting flame. Most of the time she spends in weeping grieving for the hard fate that has come upon her.

This case for the benefit of the girl suffering the painful injuries will be watched in the Superior Court next month. Judge Lawton has ordered that it be brought to a speedy hearing for the shoddy condition of manufacturers that the Court will not be called upon to take the case of those that injure employes. Attorney Trace, young Marie's counsel, has a strong argument to make in asking damages, and the case is one of much interest.

TREES BUDDING, PLANTS BLOOM AND BEARS WAKE

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 1.—New Year's day finds the rivers of Maine open to navigation, and practically free of ice. There is no snow except in the far northern woods, the ground is almost free of frost, so that farmers have been plowing their fields, and building operations go on without hindrance of weather.

Bears, instead of sleeping in their dens, are roaming 'round the country looking for free lunches, trees show buds and dandelions and strawberry plants have blossomed.

Frequent rains have raised the rivers to freshet pitch, and should a sharp freeze come now the ice would be too dirty for harvesting. The Penobscot houses of the Union Ice Company, Bath, the only Trust are about two-thirds full, the crop of last Winter not having been shipped, but it is not thought that, even should a good freeze come, any more ice will be harvested on this river.

VERMONT MAN ARRESTED.

Inspectors Armstrong and McGarr and Constable Inspector Perkins have arrested Frank J. McKenna, twenty-one, of Burlington, Vt. He is wanted at Burlington, Vt., on a charge of having robbed John Feeney of Burlington.

PASTOR COOKE TO MARRY GIRL HE ELOPED WITH

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Reverend Dere Knox Cooke, who eloped with pretty Florette Winkler from Hempstead, Long Island, some months ago, has again been united to her. He is staying with a friend. It is understood he declared his intention of returning East, and after matters have been arranged, of marrying Miss Winkler. He will return to his former home in Texas as soon as he is able to raise sufficient money. He will bring back Miss Winkler and the baby which was born to her a few weeks ago. He hopes to raise money for their car fares by continuing his work as painter, which he was doing when first located here. It is expected that the grandmother of the young woman will send her the funds necessary to return East.

The head of a San Francisco detective agency, issued an interview with the possible arrest of Cooke, and that if he was arrested upon instructions from the East, requiring Cooke's return, he, for his share, knew there was no warrant for his arrest, and that there was nothing against Cooke from going to Texas. He said that they were even keeping track of him.

The police are not looking for Cooke, though dispatches from New York city state that Cooke is wanted for the charge of abusing preacher's arrest on the charge of abusing wife, and that the San Francisco authorities will be asked to find and hold the fugitive.

ST. GAUDENS COINS CEASE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The last of the St. Gaudens $20 gold pieces have been struck at the Mint Director Leach said yesterday.

We had to change the die after the first 8,000 were struck off. Then we received a request that the figure of Liberty was so high that the coins would stack, so we changed the die again. We again changed the die and put in Arabic numerals. That left the St. Gaudens design a whole lot disfigured. We had decided to abandon the old die entirely, but demands for the original coin became so numerous that we let it work, and it will continue through to-day. After that none of the St. Gaudens coins will be minted.

The original coins have gone to a premium in Washington. Each man is allowed one.

[illegible] will not appear on [illegible] January 1.

Taunton Victim Demands $50,000 For Her Beauty

86 [illegible] LD, IS [illegible] ER OF [illegible] N BABY

Cheerfulness [illegible] Long Island City Patriarch the Secret of Long Life.

"STILL GROWING YOUNG"

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—John Thiry of No. 167 Academy street, Long Island City, is receiving manifold congratulations on being eighty years old. He will observe eighty-six years hence, as he is now being the father of five ninth children, all born within the last ten years. Mr. Thiry says he has had forty years of rest when he permitted business cares to worry him. Now he is young again.

Cheerfulness His Secret.

Cheerfulness is the secret of long life, he declares. "Here are no insects in mine spun. I am younger to-day than I was twenty years ago. My mind will be retained the longer I live. There seem to think it remarkable that I have been married eighty-six years. I married my wife when I was sixty years old. Hundreds of my friends have married eighty-six years ago. I was [illegible] years old. There is nothing like cheerfulness. Look at me. Feel my pulse. Was there ever a finer, healthier one?"

Life and its study remains a beautiful one [illegible] it is a certain. Hundreds of millions a year grow old. I was old once. That was [illegible] years ago, when I permitted business cares to worry me. I retired from business, built a home and started to grow young again. I am still growing.

Smokes and Drinks Moderately

Mr. Thiry smokes three or four cigars a day and an occasional pipeful of tobacco. He uses wine and beer in moderation. He recently ate a hearty meal a night or so ago, only before going to bed.

He is still a member of the Queens County Board of Supervisors, to which he was elected twenty years ago.

John Thiry, 86, Father of Five in Last 10 Years

TOWNSEND TO QUIT PARKER'S

Walter L. Townsend, head steward and one of the managers at the Parker House, who has been a prominent figure in the hotel business of this city for many years, is to retire his connection with the J. R. Whipple interests.

Mr. Townsend's service at Young's Hotel and the Parker House has extended over a quarter of a century. There is little in the management of a great hostelry with which he is not familiar. More than that, he has established for himself a reputation as a business man of integrity, honesty and enterprise and has formed a wide acquaintance with the leading people of his own city as well as distinguished visitors and the traveling public.

HUSBAND AND WIFE KEEP UP BATTLE FOR BOY

Mrs. Ramsey Declares She Has Not Kidnapped Son and Will Not Give Him Up.

LITTLE LAD IS HIDDEN

ORANGE, Jan. 1.—"I will not give up my boy. I am not guilty of stealing him from his father. I have not defied the authorities." Mrs. Rose A. Ramsey, who is charged with kidnapping her son from the public school, has declared.

The fight for the possession of the little boy promises to prove one of the most unique in the history of this town and probably the most expensive. Yesterday, the mother having been before Judge Hayes on a charge of a kidnapping charge, preferred by her husband, which Judge Hayes was not inclined to answer [illegible] charge of non-support, which was brought by his wife.

The fact the police declare has been hidden under the cover of [illegible] is dealt with great interest.

Several years ago Mrs. Ramsey was given the custody of their little girl and the boy was given to his father.

While the girl was taken from the school by Ramsey, the boy was not. He and his wife had gone to Worcester to visit relatives. Mrs. Ramsey then went to the home of non-support, but when he protested against the [illegible] secured a divorce from his wife the judge discharged the case.

Little Ramsey Boy, Over Whom Parents Are Waging Fight

SIEGEL STAFF GIVE PRESENT TO MANAGER

J. Edward Muller, who resigns the management of the contract department of the Henry Siegel Company today, was surprised last evening shortly after the closing hour of the big store by the [illegible] staff, who gave him a handsome [illegible] set of cut glass and silver.

Just after the closing bell had sounded the 150 buyers and department managers, including Mr. Siegel, Mr. Kramer and other officials of the corporation, assembled on the second floor, where Philip Greeley, manager of the supply company, in a witty speech, made the presentation in behalf of the other department heads and officials.

Mr. Muller was taken by surprise, but expressed his appreciation of the gift and of the happy relations he has always enjoyed with his employers and fellow-employees at the Siegel store. Mr. Muller leaves the Siegel Company to engage in a different line of business.

SOTHERN TO GIVE BENEFIT

It is announced that during his coming engagement at the Majestic Theatre E. H. Sothern will give a benefit for the Actors' Memorial Hospital, to take place on Tuesday afternoon, January 14, when an all-star benefit for the hospital will be given. Lord Dundreary's "Our American Cousin."

The trustees of the hospital have accepted this offer of a benefit by Mr. Sothern with high appreciation of the generosity of the gentleman and the success of his efforts, and they have kindly agreed to act as such in seating the audience.

LEADER OF MINERS' SLAYERS IS DEAD

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 1.—The fatal [illegible] tragedy, in which twelve Italian miners were killed and many were wounded, was recalled yesterday by the death of James Martin, who led the firing party.

Martin was sheriff of Luzerne county in September, 1907.

CALLS YANKEE NAVY OBSOLETE

WATERBURY, Conn., Jan. 1.—Congressman Lilley, who is a member of the Committee on Naval Affairs, when asked for his opinion of the statement in a recent magazine story that the ships of the American navy carry their principal armor on the water, said:

"What the writer says is true, beyond doubt. What we have now, a ship in our navy that is up to date. Even the Virginia is an obsolete ship. The only thing is that we did not get far enough."

Referring to the Brownson-Hayes case, Mr. Lilley says of doctor ought to run around a corner to see a patient. He ought to be a simple matter to place Dr. Seiler in command of the vessel and a doctor in command of all the vessels in the navy.

JUDGE BARR PASSES AWAY.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 1.—Judge John W. Barr, a distinguished Kentucky jurist, died yesterday in the age of eighty-two years. Federal judge for [illegible] Kentucky [illegible] pneumonia.

BALLOONS FOR FUTURE WARS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Lieutenant J. E. Latom, U. S. A., who in September, 1906, won for the United States the international dirigible balloon contest in France, and who has returned to this country after four years spent in Europe, said to-day that the dirigible balloon as an instrument of warfare is destined to play an important part in future operations on land and sea.

The chief war advantage of the dirigible or wind-opposing balloon over the ordinary spherical one is [illegible] direction, the former, after rising out of the range of enemy's defenses and movements, can [illegible] and return to its own base at will, the information gained. The old type vehicle of the air and so devoid of practical [illegible] to make a voyage of [illegible] one and uncertain descent.

WEATHER SHARP DEAD.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 1.—Brevet Brigadier Frank Weaver, of the department of publicity, and prominently known in connection with the United States Weather Bureau, died in a hospital here of [illegible] pneumonia.

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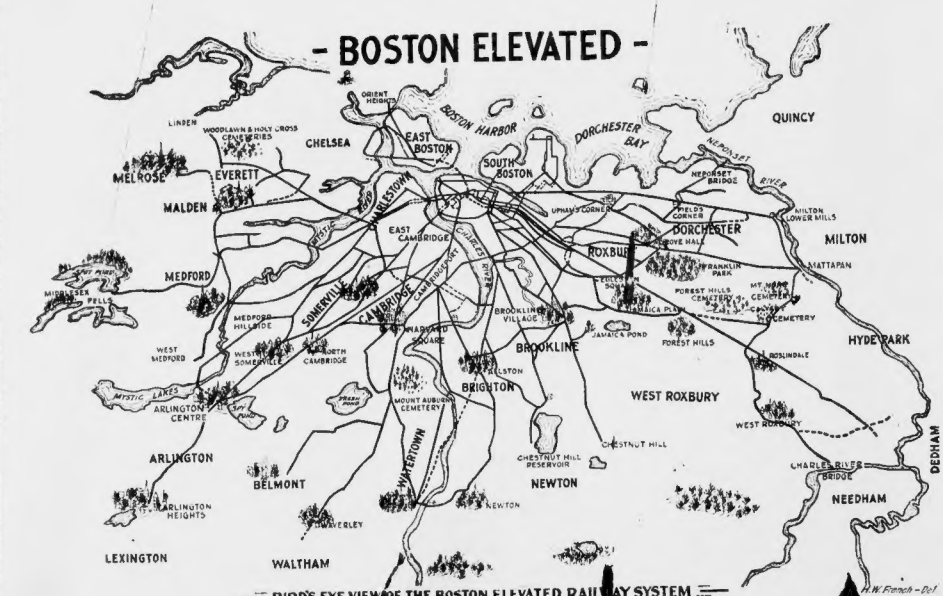

BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE BOSTON ELEVATED RAILWAY SYSTEM

The general public has a fairly comprehensive knowledge of the street railway service supplied by the Boston Elevated Railway Company between the central business district in Boston and the [illegible] residential territory, but there is [illegible] to be a surprising lack of general information as to the numerous [illegible] and convenient routes that have been established by the company, where [illegible] conditions render such lines feasible to enable the public to ride between suburban points without passing through the central district where the riding is [illegible] dense.

The accompanying sketch, showing a [illegible] purpose of showing to some degree the inter-suburban service of the company by means of which the various suburban communities are supplied with facilities for direct inter-communication.

It is impracticable to describe or even to mention more than a few of the lines that fall in this classification. A few typical lines will serve, however, to illustrate the possibilities of direct inter-suburban travel and to give some idea of the service by means of which the company attempts to provide [illegible] routes where the volume of traffic [illegible] sufficient to warrant the establishment of such lines.

It will be observed, [illegible] Watertown, which appears in the foreground on the [illegible] Newton by another. Passengers from Watertown may reach Cambridge, Brighton and Newton without change of cars, no matter [illegible] Some idea of the transfer possibilities afforded by these four lines will be gained when it is known that Arlington on the north and Dorchester, Roxbury and West Roxbury on the south can be reached by proper transfers without passing into what is known as the congested area.

The lines of the whole northerly portion of the system, including Everett, Malden, Medford, Somerville and Arlington, are knitted together by the [illegible] at the Sullivan [illegible]

Central Square is a centre from which [illegible] radiate to widely separated sections of the system. Cars from this point [illegible] for Arlington, Belmont, Watertown, Newton, South Boston and Dudley street elevated terminal.

From Brookline Village frequent service is maintained by direct lines to Dudley street terminal and to Roxbury [illegible]

The southerly territory, including Roxbury, Dorchester and West Roxbury, is [illegible] served by a large number of lines radiating from the Dudley street elevated station, and the transfer privileges at this [illegible] passengers to ride from [illegible] to Arlington, thus providing a [illegible] direct line between the [illegible] suburbs without the use of the [illegible] square station.

[illegible] any point within this large area to substantially [illegible] by a quick and convenient [illegible] in addition to the facilities for [illegible] communication between the [illegible] sections of the southerly territory [illegible] direct lines from Dudley street [illegible] connect these suburbs with [illegible] Boston, Brookline, Cambridge and [illegible] suburban points by routes that [illegible] enter the territory commonly called [illegible] proper.

East Boston [illegible] Chelsea are supplied with [illegible] facilities at the Atlantic avenue [illegible] the East Boston tunnel, where [illegible] opportunity to transfer to lines [illegible] ing on the north with Charlestown [illegible] territory beyond and on the south [illegible] South Boston, Roxbury and the [illegible] utherly suburbs, without entering the [illegible] section.

TO HOLDERS OF CONSOLIDATED STEAMSHIP LINES 4½ COLLATERAL TRUST BONDS

Notice is hereby given that, in view of the probable default in payment of the interest coupons due January 1st, 1908, on the above mentioned bonds, the undersigned, representing a large amount of the said bonds, have organized a committee for the protection of the interests of the holders, has appointed the Equitable Trust Company of New York, 15 to 19 Nassau street, New York city, and Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Massachusetts, depositaries, and has invited to deposit with them the bonds held and owned by them or by others who will join in the deposit above mentioned, with certificates of deposit issued by the depositaries, and has agreed to such deposit and assenting to and approval of the plan of reorganization to be submitted by the committee, which plan could have the right, without expense, to withdraw from the same by the agreement, of deposit, which can be obtained upon application to either of the depositaries.

O'BRIEN, BOARDMAN and PLATT, and JOHN QUINN, Counsel.

ALVIN W. KRECH, Chairman.
BIRD S. COLER.
HENRY HORNBLOWER.
WM. H. McINTYRE.
WM. H. GIBSON, Jr. Committee.

Dated, New York, December 30th, 1907.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Female.

AN AMERICAN middle-aged widow would like [illegible] position for a widow near Boston. Miss H., 82 Fuller st., Everett.

AMERICAN WOMAN, middle-aged, with child [illegible] position as housekeeper; family of [illegible] Boston; wages reasonable. Call C. M. [illegible] Mass.

HELP WANTED—Female.

[illegible] LADIES to call on the Mason [illegible] good pay. E. F. HOYE, local manager, 113 Devonshire st.

BARTER AND EXCHANGE.

WINCHESTER repeating rifle, [illegible] genuine irons and outfits. Present at [illegible]

[illegible] mahogany [illegible] with brass beds [illegible]

UBLICANS AY CONTROL CITY COUNCIL

mocratic Deadlock May Result in Choice of Minor- ty Members as Chairman.

ALDERMEN FOR CLARK

That the Republican party will control not only the executive department of the city government during the present year, but also both legislative branches, was the belief expressed at City Hall today as the result of last night's caucus of the Democratic members of the Common Council.

For seven ballots last night the Mayor's candidate, Councilman Leo F. McCullough of Ward 13 was two votes shy of the number necessary to nominate, while the opposition could muster but twenty-three votes, these divided among seven candidates. Little hope is expressed of a nomination being made at the adjourned caucus to be held Friday night and all expect to see the battle fought out on the floor of the council chamber Monday.

The Republicans have twenty-nine members of the City Council of 1908 and the Democrats forty-six. With nine Democratic votes the Republicans can elect a President of the Council and many look to see these votes forthcoming. Alderman-elect Daniel J. Donnelly stated yesterday to a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter that he will vote for Louis M. Clark, Republican, on the first ballot Monday. For Chairman of the Board, unless the seven Democratic members get together and agree on a candidate before that time. There is little possibility of the Democrats doing this as Alderman Reid will vote for no one but himself and the others will not support him.

The council caucus last night adjourned with the vote standing as follows: McCullough of Ward 13, 20; Doherty of Ward 2, 7; Hatton of Ward 4, 6; Sullivan of Ward 16, 3; O'Brien of Ward 14, 2; Hop- good of Ward 7, 2; Sorensen of Ward 1, 2; Noonan of Ward 11 1.

McCullough last night was backed in the Mayor and supported by Lomasney of Ward 8, Thomas F. Carley of Ward 17, James P. Timility of Ward 18, James McInerny of Ward 19 and the Mayor's organization in Ward 16. Doherty had the support of Patrick J. Kennedy and James Donovan of the old "board of strategy" and Alderman Carley. Three councilmen were absent last night, Buckley and Sullivan of Ward 5 and Santosuosso of Ward 11.

ARREST FORMER HUB MAN IN STOCK RAID

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—John I. McLean, formerly a lawyer, who came to New York from Boston, is under arrest as the result of a raid by the police of the offices of George F. Shurtleff & Company, "curbing stock brokers," of No. 20 Broad street. McLean was arrested with Edward A. Keith and Joseph Cowan and stands charged with grand larceny. The complaint was made by Arthur Brown, a bricklayer, who says the men had something to do with selling him certain stock which, he says, he never received. McLean was formerly head of J. I. McLean & Company.

Why I Lost My Job.

Reasons Why Thousands Like Me Cannot Satisfy Their Employers.

"I believe my fate is not unlike that of thousands of other workers who daily lose their positions, for reasons they do not know, and probably would not believe. When their last pay envelope comes along, it is usually 'Your services are no longer required.' If the truth were known, the reason for their unceremonious removal would probably be that their usefulness was destroyed because of some mental worry, bodily ailment or general indisposition. These things, as we all know, are the most fruitful causes of failure in all walks of life. The battle of Waterloo was lost because of headache. In this quick age our minds must be clear, rapid, active and free from outside influence or worry, or else we go down. Figures with the throng of "floaters" who go from one place of employment to another, giving no satisfaction to others or to themselves, constantly growing older and less useful, with no ambition, no will power and no hope.

"Every man requires from every other man the best that is in him. But no man can use or get the best that is in himself until he is free from all fretful indispositions and worries.

"That was my trouble. I was full of troubles. That's why I lost my job. My stomach, in the first place, was always out of order, and I was worrying about it, and my mind grew cloudy and slow. I made mistakes, and grew grouchy. That was the end.

"There are thousands like me, going about with "quick lunch" faces, dyspeptic manners, and repulsive atmospheres. No employer wants such men's services.

"Take my advice. A healthy stomach is half the battle, for it keeps your mind clear and your face rosy. I have a healthy stomach now and hold a good position, and my employer is satisfied, and so am I.

"I started to take Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which I was told were good for the worst cases of indigestion and dyspepsia. The first two tablets made a wonderful difference in my condition.

"One ingredient of Stuart's dyspepsia Tablets digests 3,000 grains of food. The stomach doesn't have to work at all. The Tablets do all the work, no matter how heavy your meal.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets cure brash, eructations, burning sensations, bloat, irritations, loss of appetite, nausea, heartburn, lack of energy, loss of memory and dyspepsia and indigestion in their very worst forms.

No other little tablets in the world can do so much. You should carry them around with you wherever you go and take them regularly after meals. Then you will realize what it is to be freed from stomach torment, and have a clear mind, a quick memory, a happy disposition, comfort and cheer. Get Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at any drug store for 50c a package.

Send us your name and address today and we will at once send you by mail a sample package, free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., 150 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

Boston City Club Members Give 1908 Noisy Welcome at Big Celebration

More Than 100 Gathered to Usher in New Year Amid Hilarious Din.

Never before in the history of Boston has the New Year been ushered in with such a noisy celebration as that of 1908, and all over the city as the clubs and in the churches the passing of the old year was marked with ringing of bells and cheering.

The "big night" was at the Boston City Club, where a hundred or more members gathered early in the evening and stayed until the wee small hours of the morning. At the hour of midnight all stood up, and raising their steins, drank to the health of the new year, after which they all joined in singing "Auld Lang Syne."

The entire evening was one of jollity and the entertainment provided by the announced a concert "from 8.30 until 1908," and they made good with a vengeance.

Late in the evening vaudeville performers from Keith's Theatre and the Orpheum dropped in, by the courtesy of B. F. Keith, and kept the crowd happy to the last hours of the old year.

Keller Mack sought the spirit of the occasion when he made them all join in his song, "We Want to Be Home Until Morning, 'Till Broad Daylight." John McCarron acted as stage manager and kept things going even faster than the whirling away in the hour glass.

The other entertainers included the Dillon brothers, Henry Gardiner and Henry Montgomery, while Hank Daly kept the members and their friends busy smoking good cigars and to forget all their resolutions.

LOOK OUT FOR MOYNAHAN—He is around Roxbury Crossing this week. He sleuths and he sees and he sketches for the SUNDAY AMERICAN. So watch out.

NIGHT OF MERRYMAKING ON GREAT WHITE WAY

By Langdon Smith.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—It was 10 o'clock last night before Broadway began to assume its New Year form. As Dan Leno groups of merry-makers began to make their White Way.

Save for the absence of massed and dominos, it was like the carnival of Venice or the Coney Island Mardi Gras. It was the great outdoor carnival of the year, when all sorts and conditions of men and women turn their backs on the old and welcome the new.

Notwithstanding the police injunction against "horns, whistles, bandoleers, armed with noisy, clattering, deafening gats to make their way through the crowd. Screams followed their paths.

Whenever a young woman with a feather tickled a young man under the left ear, he whooped with joy and turned his right side.

Toy Mice in Ticklers.

The spirit of the time possessed them.

One long-haired fellow developed which added a great terror to the feminine part of the crowd. Some of the paraders carried "ticklers" with artificial mice which would spring out among the feathers when pulled by rubber strings. To the women in fear of mice, the scheme was a great idea, and the same verbal assurance.

At Twenty-seventh street and Broadway a young man with a "mouse machine" approached a young girl standing through red tin horns. "Toot, toot, toot!" They were having a fine time, even if their pompadours were coming down and their "rats" were out of kilter.

"Toot, toot, toot!" Just then the mouse machine loomed over their shoulders, between their heads. The feathers tickled the girl's ears, the nose bobbed out and there was trouble. One of the girls, with head-loaded young woman, with a large tin

Tumult reigned supreme and reigned. Policemen recognized the impossibility of restoring order and let the mad with the insane have their way.

Tidal Wave of Humanity.

As midnia came near, actual waves of humanity rose and crashed along Broadway toward Times Square. The cheering became first the service of the police were called into requisition. Hundreds of men in every quarter of the compass now filled with rage that forbade an appearance of the police.

Here they stood for hours in the cold, waiting for the midnight fall of the New Year.

With the first fireworks coming up the front in sombre green above them, the crowd was swayed, and a mighty cheer every head and the packed thousands on the streets the scene was solemn and impressive.

Living Stream Along Broadway.

But nothing could check the underlying hilarity of the crowd. They wanted to hear the Trinity chimes, but at the same time, they were acting like a mirage cut-ups. The whistles were sounded, the horns pealed long and the tumult as loud and insistent as ever. Suddenly there came a sound of the great bell—then sudden silence. The new year was at hand. Then from the dark pier, amid the grand diapason of the chimes, the greeting to the New Year.

The crowd listened in comparative silence. When the last note had sounded and the hoarse whistles were still resounding over the rivers and east and west, the crowd began to pour up Broadway a living stream.

RING REVEALS ELOPEMENT OF YOUNG COUPLE

GLOUCESTER, Jan. 1.—A wedding ring on the finger of her daughter revealed to Mrs. William H. Hockey of East Gloucester today that her daughter Florence was married. After confronting her, she daughter finally admitted that she was married last Sunday evening in Providence, R. I., to Everett Rogers Jodrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jodrey, residing on Dawson street.

The couple are barely eighteen years of age, and although they have been "keeping company" some time, it was not supposed that they intended to be married yet.

Last Sunday they were married by Rev. S. H. Rose of Providence, returning home that evening.

The bride is a bookkeeper. Her husband has not completed his course of study in the high school. The parents of both, although taken by surprise, are not displeased.

AMESBURY MEN PLAN TO HAVE TOWN GO YES

AMESBURY, Jan. 1.—With all the surrounding cities and towns having no license, efforts are being made to have the vote in this town changed to "yes" at the coming election, and there is promise of a merry war being waged between the two elements. Ipswich is the only place between this town and Boston where it is thought license will be granted the coming year.

ALLEGED BURGLAR TAKEN.

William Fitzgerald, alias Charles F. Graham, alias Pat Welsh, forty, no home, is under arrest on the charge of breaking and entering the coal house of the Boston & Maine railroad at Somerville December 18, and with a break at North Cambridge Junction December 20, and at Woburn December 22.

BURGLAR SHOT DEAD BY OWNER OF BIRD STORE

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—One of two burglars was shot and instantly killed at an early hour today by David Jaffe, proprietor of a bird store at No. 146 Meserole street, Williamsburg. Mr. Jaffe and his fourteen-year-old brother, Benjamin, sleep in a room in the rear of the store. Shortly after the noises ushering in the new year had subsided, Jaffe heard a noise which aroused him. He shouted, "Who's there?" but in response the rasping noise was redoubled and presently the door yielded to a couple of kicks.

Striking a match, Mr. Jaffe saw the body of a man lying across the threshold. The shots had been fired by Policeman Dobler, and when the latter saw a man running he ordered him to stop. The night fire only ran the faster, and the policeman fired several shots after him. Then he got the fellow to a stop at Union avenue, two blocks from Jaffe's store.

The prisoner, who said he was Thomas Hyrnes of No. 143 Leonard street, said he did not know the dead man.

Jaffe was arrested, charged with homicide, but paraded in his own custody by Magistrate O'Reilly.

FLEET OF TORPEDO BOATS AT PA

PARA, Brazil, Jan. 1.—The torpedo boat flotilla which is preceding the battleship fleet to the Pacific has arrived here from Port of Spain, Trinidad.

The boats will leave here Jan. 3 for Pernambuco. They are five in number and their original schedule.

BEST MAN LATE, BRIDAL HELD UP

MILFORD, Jan. 1.—Because he was not familiar with the schedule of the Boston & Albany Railroad, Timothy Benedicte, who came to Milford from Waterbury, Conn., to be best man at the nuptials of Thomas Billadeau and Miss Anna Brown, lost the opportunity. The wedding was delayed until another man could be obtained to fill the place.

...MY FOR ...RAFT FOES IN PORTUGAL

Premier Franco to Be Forced Out of Dictatorship in the Spring.

REVOLUTION WAS FEARED

LISBON, Portugal, Jan. 1.—Conspiracy has proved too strong for Premier Franco of Portugal. His dictatorship is to end and constitutional government is to succeed with the May elections.

King Carlos is now convinced Franco's strong rule is to be fought to the finish, and therefore has decided to bow to the will of England and finance matters and business in Portugal have broken out anew. King Edward fostered a movement among and banking interests, and half a dozen leaders, looked for absolute rule in law order was restored.

When Franco took office he found a system of robbery in official circles equaled only by Tammany Hall in worst days. Graft was rampant.

High officials drew salaries from several posts, and many of them, it is charged, were staving heavily in the stock of...

98 Generals and 32,000 Men

To read an army of 32,000 there were 98 generals, with a corresponding number of...

Big Allowance to King

...the fields held over King Carlos and Premier himself with a bodyguard. The government insisted on maintaining the...

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Boston American Daily Home Page

Should This Girl Wed the Rich Man or the Man She Loves?

By Beatrice Fairfax

HOW many girls are in the same state of doubt as the one who writes the accompanying letter?

Their hearts lead them one way, their friends advise them to go another.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I am a young girl of nineteen years, and am engaged to a man of forty-five, who has considerable money, but being a young man of twenty-three would like your advice when soon to marry, as the younger man would be unable to marry for several years. I am a poor working girl, who needs to give me advice. Friends tell me to marry the man with money, while others tell me not to marry a man I do not love.

THERE is one fact that seems to have escaped the writer's mind and that is her duty toward her fiance.

She became engaged to him without loving him, and that, in the first place, was wrong. As she did not accept him for love, she must have accepted him for his money.

Now she has really learned what love is, and feels that she cannot marry him.

Loveless Marriage a Sin

IN that respect she is quite right. Marriage without love is sin. But love is the main going to feel about it? He loves her, and both his love and

DAILY PUZZLE PICTURE

Things on a Ship

What Part of a Ship Is This?

ANSWER:

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Wait for the One Man

TELL you, my dear girls, that there is one thing that you must understand, and that is that no woman goes through life without having some man very deeply love her.

Don't you see how important it is that the man she marries should be the man she loves?

If she marries a man she does not love she is bound to meet the man she does love sooner or later, and the tragic that comes from such a situation is unbounded.

You must learn to know your own mind. Don't become engaged to a man unless you are very sure that you love him. It is not fair to you or to him to run the risk of the trouble and mortification that ensue from a broken engagement.

Don't be in such a hurry to become engaged. Take your time. The right man is more than likely to come along, and if he should not it is better to be an old maid than the wife of a man you do not love.

Advice to Anxious Sweethearts

By Beatrice Fairfax

FOOLISH DISCUSSION.

MISS FAIRFAX:

I am a young lady of eighteen and keeping company with a young man who says he loves me. I have been going with him daily for about three months, and he is about to propose. He is very jealous, and objects to my going with any other young man. I like him very much, but I do not like his jealousy. Do you think I should accept him?

He also claims even after our first duty, regarding the above mentioned, would be to keep his sister informed. Please state your opinion.

M. H.

My dear, if I were you I would avoid all discussion of that kind. The time to settle that question is before you are married. I can't see that you would be backed after. Such discussions invariably breed dissension. Avoid them in future. I think he loves you, and that is enough.

A DECIDED ANSWER

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I am a young man twenty-three years of age, fashionably dressed, and have been good friends with a young lady for several years. She, taking an interest in me and showing that there existed a liking for me, I proposed to her. She would not give a decided answer and admits that she has not decided but cares for me more than a friend. I told her that if I didn't get a decided answer I would stay away from her. I succeeded in keeping her, but she still continues going with another young man.

Am I not quite right in demanding a decided answer. If she does not give me very shortly I would be much better to know away from her altogether before the next knock her own mind well enough to settle the question, one way or the other.

Y.

"Greek Women Wore Corsets" Declares New Grecian Minister

Calls American Women Prettiest of Modern Times

Estelle Christy, wife of the famous artist, and his former model. She is considered by many as typical of American beauty.

Gibson Girl Is an Injustice to the True Type

By Viola Rodgers

THE leading discovery made by the most envoy diplomats of the present day is that America is more stunningly beautiful than Greece. The most beautiful women of his own most

L. A. Coromilas, new Minister from Greece to the United States, who says our women are more beautiful than those of ancient Greece.

American woman of today. Her features, body and limbs are simply full of the beauty of the Venus de Milo. The American woman is the "Gibson type" of women Mr. Coromilas says that the artist has shown in his conceptions of our women makes no injustice to the real charms of the race.

"Your women are much more refined than the great Greek sculptured creations that the artist depicts. I should say he has done an injustice to the beauty of the American woman. I think his American type is the distinctive American masculine proof that the world of your country has reproduced.

Princess Interests.

One of the main causes are the great inattention of Greece today. Every one takes the keenest delight and interest in sports, as a matter of fact, normal people should do. The International Olympian games which were held in Athens ten years ago were attended, I believe, by ten times as many women as men. In connection with the games there was a beauty contest, in which the women of every country were represented. It was very recently resolved to do this ancient custom honor.

"She were correct; in consequence, her every form was the slender waisted figure of the drawing in Athens, and I watched them

Type of a beauty of the pre-Hellenic period, who wore corsets, the Grecian Minister declares.

with the keenest interest, for on the physical strength of a people her other little waist, achievements largely depend."

Asked who he considered the best sport for the development of real beauty in man, Mr. Coromilas said:

"I should say the sport which gives the greatest grace and muscular beauty to the body is fencing. The graceful lines of muscular development which are obtained by fencing, football, boxing and the other sports also quickly locking, and in consequence the symmetry of muscles, evenly developed, is found.

What the World Owes to the Mothers of Men Who Made History

NO. XV.—THE MOTHER OF THEODORE PARKER

By Rev. Thomas B. Gregory

THEODORE PARKER may very appropriately be called the Columbus of American theology, for there is no doubt about the fact that, theologically speaking, the great New Englander discovered and made known a new continent—a new world.

Human nature is the strangest thing in the world, hence the slightest fact, or trouble sift through history, that men are no sooner through with crucifying their forefathers they begin building monuments to them.

Theodore Parker's monument is the present-day Unitarian Church of America, a church which only years ago was damned for the man it is today doughted to honor.

Cursed by His Own

SIXTY years ago Parker preached under the hottest curses even of his own denomination, but, to-day the rank and file of Unitarian clergymen of the country, together with no mean number of other ministers in other churches, are preaching most acceptably along the lines that Parker laid down.

Parker based all that he taught from his theology upon the sincere and immutability of the Moral Law as portrayed in the human mind—the voice of conscience.

He claimed that if there was a Moral Law at all it was the same for man and God, and therefore, that nothing that was wrong with man could be right with God, and that anything that was right with man could be wrong with God.

By this test, as furnished in the deliverances of the Conscience, Parker measured every thought of every book, and every sentence about human destiny and the reasonableness of the "Absolute Religion" of modern Unitarianism, a creed which affirms that the human creation is, to a man, all-sufficient.

"Nothing sinks with a man so deep that he can't find his bottom in the sin."

"Nothing sinks with a man so deep that he can't find his bottom in the sin."

"In case as ribbon in the pile complete."

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IATROS FACES CONSPIRACY CASE IN COURT

Greek Consul on Trial, Charged With Breaking Immigration Law.

DECLARES HIS INNOCENCE

Michael Iatros, Greek consul at Lowell, is today on trial for conspiracy to violate the United States immigration laws before Judge Dodge and a jury, the case having been opened yesterday.

Iatros is charged with three counts of trying to defraud the government by the importation of Greek boys under the padrone system, the complaint alleging that seven boys have been brought in under his agency.

Iatros was arrested in Lowell on April 9, 1907. At the hearing before the Grand Jury the Government brought a Greek boy, Costa C. Simonyannis, from Athens, to testify against him.

According to Assistant District Attorney Travis, Iatros and John Stamopoulos, on May 24, 1904, and July 4 1906, attempted to smuggle Costa C. and Athanasios Simonyannis into New York.

Married Lowell Girl.

The marriage of Iatros to Miss Mabel Fogg, daughter of a wealthy Lowell lumberman, created a stir in society circles. Several children have been born to the couple.

Mrs. Iatros believes firmly in her husband's innocence and has aided him throughout his troubles.

"It's a case of Greek meeting Greek," she said in discussing the case. "There are several Greeks who want to be Consul.

"For years Mr. and Mrs. Iatros have been prominent in Lowell society and the news of his arrest came as a profound shock. Much sympathy has been extended to Mrs. Iatros, but Mrs. Iatros bravely says she is not in need of sympathy and expresses the firm conviction that the case will come to naught.

"All Due to Jealousy."

"It is all the result of jealousy," said Mrs. Iatros, "and I am sure that my husband will be acquitted when he tells his story.

"Simply because he has advanced more rapidly than some others of the Greek nationality in Lowell there is much envy existing and the charges made are trumped up to accuse his as unfair and unjustly. Those who know Mr. Iatros will agree with me when I say that he is a hard-working conscientious man, those who do not know him will surely suspend judgment until he has been tried."

MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL IATROS

MRS. MABEL FOGG IATROS AND GREEK HUSBAND, TRIED FOR CONSPIRACY

CLUB PASTOR FOR SERMON

By Boston American Leased Wire.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 1.—Enraged at the remark made by the Rev. Earnest Sweeton in a sermon at Newburg, Sunday night, when he said that any man who danced was of questionable character, young society men of Newburg last night assaulted the minister with rotten eggs and clubs.

The assault occurred as the preacher was on his way to church. He was felled to the sidewalk and while down was kicked and clubbed. Sweeton later got a bath and clean clothes and proceeded to the church, smoking jacket, cigarettes and "Hostess" clothes and his home is in St. Louis.

BREAKS JAIL; NOW RETURNS

WINSTED, Ct., Jan. 1.—Urged by his wife and parents to return to the State prison in Wethersfield and serve the rest of his sentence, one year and a half for burglary, James Bradley of West End, Ansonia, his wife accompanying him to the institution.

Bradley was paroled in April, 1906, but broke it last August by leaving the place where work had been given him and failing to report regularly to the police authorities. He returned to his home a few weeks ago.

GET NINETEEN WOMEN HOBOES

WILLARD, Neb., Jan. 1.—Nineteen women tramps were discovered in a single box car on a Union Pacific freight train when it went to side track at this station in order to permit a passenger train to pass. The women were coming east and had to walk back to Omaha, sixteen miles away.

The women said they had been in jail at Omaha. Through the bitter cold they were making their way to Denver, as they had no money. When discovered they were half frozen, the weather being very cold.

SNAKES INVADE MINE VILLAGE

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 1.—Brought back to activity from their Winter's sleep by the heat from a burning coal mine, several thousand snakes of various sizes and breeds wandered out on the streets of Millvale, a suburb of this city, and badly frightened many of the inhabitants. The snakes were only partly awake and were so sluggish that they just wiggled along without caring where they went.

GAVE GIRL RICHES, NOW BRINGS SUIT

WORCESTER, Jan. 1.—Because he turned all of his earthly belongings over to his daughter, providing she would support him the remainder of his life John Brady of Fitchburg has filed a bill in equity against Ellen A. Brady, in which he claims the daughter is not properly [illegible]

FEAR AGED MAN DEAD IN WOODS

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 1.—Search is being made by scores of lumbermen for Roderick McDonald, aged nearly eighty, of Farnsworth, who, it is believed, became lost in the woods two weeks ago and is dead.

McDonald for many years was the best known lumberman in this section of the State, as for a long time he had charge of the Union River drives. His mind has been failing for a few years, but every Fall he has visited his old lumber camps.

Three weeks ago he went up river and after remaining in camp near Amoco for a time, started, two weeks ago, for another camp. That was the last time he was seen alive as far as known.

He was not fitted for a trip in the woods, and this fact, together with the weakened condition of his mind, leads his friends and family, consisting of three sons and a daughter, to suppose that he has perished.

He may have broken through the ice. There is no snow on the ground by which he can be tracked.

B. & M. REPORTED AFTER EXETER LINE

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Jan. 1.—It is reported that the Boston & Maine Railroad will be one of the bidders for the thirty miles of track and equipment of Exeter, Hampton & Exeter Street Railway, to be sold at auction on January 7.

The road was constructed at a price of $200,000, but is now valued at one-half of the original cost.

LEAGUE AFTER TAUNTON PLACE

TAUNTON, Jan. 1.—The Independence League, the second party in the State, as proved by the vote polled in the recent State election, is to fight the appointments just made by Mayor J. H. Tracy to the License Commission.

The League leaders notified Mayor Tracy of their intention to seek one of the places on the board, but, it is said, that shortly after the announcement was made Edward McDonald and Charles G. Washburn, both Republicans, had been appointed.

The other member is John Welch, a Democrat, who was a member of the old board and did not resign.

The Leaguers will probably take action to-day.

NEW TYPE OF CRAFT FOR ISLAND OWNER

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 1.—H. D. Bacon of the Bath Marine Construction Company, is soon to commence work on a new type of craft for William Wallace, who owns an island several miles off the Muscongus coast. The boat will be very much like the big life boats now in use at the life saving stations along the coast. She will be partly decked both fore and aft and will have a cockpit in the middle. The engine will be partly covered and the boat will be self-bailing, so that in case she ships a sea it will be bailed out automatically.

WOMEN'S CLUBS BLAMED FOR DIVORCE EVIL

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Justice Walter E. Leaton of probate court conducted a symposium on the dissolution of homes. Forty lawyers were asked for opinions as to the leading causes of divorce and a majority answered that clubs conducted by women's clubs were the greatest factor.

They held that modern methods fostered the affairs which end that contracted women from any proper sphere. Some of the more radical said that even church societies acted in part as to blame for unhappiness in the home.

BIG STORMS ON WAY WEATHER SHARP SAYS

NORTH BROOKFIELD, Jan. 1.—Professor Charles F. Hilson, a weather prophet of note, predicts five more snow storms this week, to occur January 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. this Winter will be one of the severest and most severe of years. It will be the last of the five long cycles. This one, according to Hilson, will make people's hair stand on end.

CRASH IN ROME STOCK MARKET CAUSED BY GAS

ROME, Jan. 1.—An explosion of gas caused the disaster in the Forum of Augustus, which a score or more were killed, claims that it was caused by an explosion of gas and not the result of a bomb, as was first reported.

The building stands in the centre of the Forum of Augustus and was known as the Temple of Neptune built by Hadrian.

The explosion occurred in the basement of the ancient edifice and the cries of those injured were heard by the workmen who responded to the call. Although every effort was made to prevent the fact that explosion was caused by gas escaping from the mains, it soon became known and caused a panic among the populace. The excitement was intensified by the discovery that the disaster came from an explosion of gas.

RECORD FOR WIRELESS

VALLEJO, Cal., Jan. 1.—The wireless telegraph messages have been received Mare Island and Point Loma from Sitka, Alaska. This is the record for long distance on this coast.

Anty Drudge and the Millionaire's Wife.

Mrs. Erwine—"Just because Mrs. Swell's husband has made a million dollars is no reason she should put on airs. I can remember the day when she washed clothes for the millmen right here in this town."

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ATTELL PICKED TO WIN

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Few other fights in the history of fristicuffs possible battles as arousing as much interest as the Abe Attell-Owen Moran mill, which takes place here this afternoon.

The battle was to be held at 2:30 o'clock at the Mission Athletic Club for twenty-five rounds for the world's feather weight championship. The match was arranged by Tex Rickard, who has long held the featherweight title in America and the same honor in England.

This city is overcrowded over the fight and the big crowd will be one of those who will witness it. Many have been sold and hundreds are now crowding the office in order to purchase admissions.

Both men are in splendid condition and odds in favor of Attell, but have fluctuated for two days. Moran's end was strengthened yesterday, when he wagered $1,000 on his own chances. The pugnacious appearance of the Englishman has caused his friends to back him heavily and has given him some concern in the camp of Attell. Jim Jeffries will referee the bout.

ODDS FAVOR ATTELL IN THE BETTING BEFORE THE BATTLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Jim Jeffries, who is to referee the contest between Moran and Attell, has had an understanding with both principals as to the rules of fisticuffs they will observe while clinching and breaking. Attell promised that he would not hold and that he would break away when ordered to do so.

Moran says the same, so if you both live up to your promises we will have to lay a hand to you," said Jeffries.

In the betting Attell continues the favorite. The odds today were 10 to 6 against the Englishman, with indications that the price would be shaded as the men enter the ring. The battle will decide the championship question, for Attell was, it probably will be many a long year before there is another meeting between an American and an English man for the championship.

Attell is below weight and Moran has trained down to an extent that he is in no danger of losing his forfeit when he fries to pass the scales of the contestants will watch in at Jimmy Coffroth's Mission Street Arena at 11:45 a.m. The articles call for the battle to be fought under the Queensberry rules, with four ounce gloves. Their contract calls for a purse of $7,500, Pacific time. A waterproof canvas roof was erected over the arena today, so a storm will not disturb the patrons in case of showers. The referee was chosen by the men [illegible] of Bouts Attell, Battling Nelson and Joe Walcott. The Kreling and [illegible]

[illegible] training with [illegible]

MORAN'S DEFEAT OF NEIL HAS BOOMED HIS RING STANDING

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Moran is a fighter. Those who saw him wade into Frankie Neil a few weeks ago are confident that the sturdy little Englishman will give Attell the fight of his life. Moran stands up to his foes and fights with both hands, using a short right and left to the body or jaw and never backing up to any of the gentle taps that he gets. The fact that he stopped Frankie Neil must be given due consideration.

This is something which no boy has ever done before. Frankie has taken a beating in the seven years he has been fighting, but Moran was the first boy who stopped him. Eddie Hanlon and Frankie fought one of the toughest fifteen round drawn battles ever pulled off here. Both were game, strong and full of cleverness. Eddie fought until they were both on the verge of collapse and it was a draw, but it was not the punishment which stopped either boy. They simply fought themselves out.

Bowker Also Beat Neil.

Joe Bowker took the bantamweight championship away from Neil and gave him a terrific beating in the last ten rounds of the fight, and never once did Neil falter. He was always the aggressor and forced the fighting in a manner which was astonishing that left hand for the body. Abe Attell gave Neil a twenty round battle in Philadelphia, but Neil was picked out the best ride the ocean ever saw. Attell landed Neil on his coconut and hit him a thousand times on the jaw.

But Neil was still battling at the end of the fight, his strength and courage still with him. Harry Baker outboxed Neil for twenty rounds and punished him severely, but Neil fought the cleverboy in streams from Neil's eyes, nose and mouth, but Yet Neil was still fighting game at the end of the twentieth round.

Owen Moran also gave Neil almost a beating and the body, but the little Englishman's blows had something which had never landed on Neil before. The whole time was beaten until he was too weak to defend himself, and for the first time in his life the sponge came into the ring, saving Neil from the knockout.

Attell Respects Moran.

It will be remembered that the first thing Neil said after he staggered to his

Champion Jeffries was accepted as referee and will be third man in ring to render the decision.

Owen Moran. Abe Attell.

wearing like down, and it'll have to be gang! bang! and the best man wins, of course, I think I can hit him at will, but I will have to take a chance on his hitting me at the same time. I saw him fight and he's no joke. Get me the ring with him. He can hit and hit hard."

JOE HARRIS IS SLATED FOR A TIGER BERTH

DETROIT, Jan. 1.—It is certain that baseball that Boston wanted to see Harris Hugh Jennings will make a big effort to try to a trade with some other major league get Joe Harris, the heavyweight pitcher of the Boston Americans, for the champ Tigers next season, ad has notified President Taylor of the Hub team to that effect.

When waivers were issued for on Hugh Jennings some time ago by the Eastern team Detroit waived its claim because Jennings

Jennings has been watching the progress of all the teams closely and has kept an eye on Harris in particular, and any move of the Boston team to trade him. As soon as Jennings was notified that Harris was a chance for a trade he got busy and he won't rest easy till he gets his man.

Jennings found out that Boston intended letting Harris go to some other team like Providence or Columbus and it was then that he decided to get in his claim.

Jennings believes that he can make a great pitcher out of Harris. He realizes that Harris needs lots of work and he will see to it that he gets it for him. Hugh says that Harris's record in the Eastern League proves that he has the goods and can deliver them if kept at the work.

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Clarke Griffith has his eye on Jesse Tannehill of the Boston Red Sox and Griff will get a long way to get the southpaw. He believes that Tannehill's arm will be all right next season and that being so, he thinks no one better than the same Tannehill is now considering just what sort of a deal he could fix up which would suit his old owner, Jimmy McAleer, to loosen up on Tannehill. After consulting with Owner Frank Farrell he will see what he can do to make a trade.

Griff knows that McGuire thinks pretty well of Moriarty, the Highlanders third baseman, but he also knows that McGuire will not give Farrell[illegible] for Moriarty. Though Boston let Jake Stahl go to New York in return for Lajoie last Fall Griffith knows that Jake Stahl will be a trading proposition would tempt McGuire about as well as anything. It may be well, then, that Griffith will soon receive an offer of exchange of Stahl and Tannehill.

"Pat" Donahue may not go into major league company, after all. President Taylor of the Red Sox purchased Pat from the Portland, Ore., club some time ago, but here at the moment when Taylor expected a delivery of the goods, the Hibernian kicks up a fuss by refusing to go East. And Pat don't wants him, badly, too.

Donahue has arrived home on the steamer Alameda from the Pacific Coast All Star Baseball Club's tour of Hawaii. He says:

"You see, I was to get a piece of the purchase money from McCredie. This hasn't come along as yet. I won't report to Boston until I get it. If it comes to a deadlock, I'll go to Stockton in the State League."

BASKETBALL GAMES TO-DAY.

COLLEGE.
Tufts vs. Technology at Medford.

SCHOOL.
Winthrop High vs. Watertown High at Winthrop.
Everett High vs. Reading High at Everett.
Brockton High vs. Fall River High at Fall River.
Rindge Technical High vs. Newton High at Newton.
Somerville High vs. North Bennick A. C. at North Bennick.

INDEPENDENT.
Girls of Hyde Park Dance vs. East Boston at East Boston.
St. Stephens vs. East Boston C. L. A. at St. Johnsbury, Vt. (two games).

DAN M'GANN HAS MADE MONEY PLAYING BALL

The recent sale of Dan McGann from the Giants to the Boston Nationals will take bold Dan[illegible] back to the Hub, where he first broke into big league baseball just twelve years ago.

Since that year, 1895, McGann has been nearly the entire rounds, having played with Brooklyn, Baltimore, Washington, St. Louis and New York in the National.

The old proverb that no rolling stone gathers no moss will hardly find a place in baseball parlance, for rolling stone ing is considered to be a title and trade mark.

Dan McGann during his long and oftimes brilliant career as a professional baseball player has accumulated a fair share of the world's goods, possibly more in fact, than if he had remained in one city, for Dan always got a fair salary and he had a happy faculty of seeing to it that Dan was at all times, for he is no spendthrift, but he has always managed to hold his end up wherever he went, and with a pretty successful record, for he is quite a baseball player, and has been Dan waited until the time of the season before he made a move, and [illegible] does not have to [illegible] Winter's coat to come from.

It's Colonel McGann.

Down around Lexington, Ky., and Shelbyville Dan McGann is considered to be a wealthy man, a title which he has held for three big terms in the Blue Grass country. Daniel owns, and every head he sees in it that has horsefeathers on it. Dan's wealth, though a rolling stone, has gathered quite a bit of moss, and he has enough, enough, to suit his settling.

Dan's age has always been a great thing for big mystery, and Dan is [illegible] as old as [illegible] summers and look Winters that have [illegible] over his hairy head, but some of it will [illegible]

CHAMP ATHLETE TO COMPETE AT B. A. A. GAMES

Two famous weight champions will take part in the B. A. A. games on February 1 at Mechanics Building. They are Matthew Sheridan of Olympic fame and Matt Mc-Grath, the hammer thrower. Another athletic prominent in the collegiate world, Ted Meredith, will be found at the meet. Thomas Moffit of Penn., who is the intercollegiate high jump list Spring with an actual jump of 6 feet 3¼ inches.

The New York A. C. and the Irish Athletic Club will send twenty-five each of their athletes to the B. A. A. games. The Irish athletes will only number[illegible] Sheridan, George V. Bonhag, Smithson, Keating, James Sullivan, Porter, Charles Bacon, Melvin Sheppard, Collins, Lawson Robertson, Harvey Cohn and Bradshaw. The New York A. C. will send over Harry Ellmaker, Paul Pilgrim, Charles Seitz, Cromwell Dixon, Hitch, Kerr, McGrath, Ford, Sedley and McCullough.

TICKLE IS AFTER O'BRIEN

Bobbie Tickle, the fast Pawtucket featherweight, through his manager, Eddie Kelly, has issued a challenge to Frankie O'Brien of[illegible] Tickle says: "I will fight O'Brien for $500 side, winner take all, any number of rounds. If O'Brien or his manager wishes to[illegible] will only have to come forward and make the match. I defeated O'Brien the last time we met, and can prove it by people who saw the fight. I can be seen at any club which offers the best inducements."

AUTOISTS TO GET THEIR NEW NUMBERS TO-DAY

BY J. C. KERRISON.

Commencing with this morning, the Massachusetts Highway Commission will defer for those applying for the same, the registration numbers and signs. The selection of the office of the commission is loaded with boxes containing the new number plates, while clerks are kept busily at work receiving and recording applications for registrations.

Only those holding below 5,000, which the hold holders of the same desire to have changed to them, will be delivered in the first fifteen days, and then every applicant will receive a number in accordance with the priority of his application. The commission holds that if any of the old numbers desire to retain their present numbers[illegible] number plates up to April 1 by contract for others above that number[illegible] for their delivery on or after January 15. Meanwhile the old numbers will be recognized by the police courts[illegible] whom it is believed will take no[illegible] compelling registration for at least thirty days. Still this must be taken as something of a motorist can show a car in the next thirty days with his old number, and without making application for registration in order to[illegible] the work of the Commission and to get things going[illegible] simple[illegible] affixing their motor vehicles to make application for registration as soon as possible.

It is believed that there will be some[illegible] the 10,000 motor vehicles registered during the coming year. In addition there are to the dealers' numbers will be given an[illegible] It is believed that the 5,000 or more dealers' numbers now out will be reduced at least fifty per cent., as many of the numbers already issued have been[illegible] surrendered, their holders having retired from business. However, the Commission will be borrowing for months. It is going along[illegible] steady manner, attending to business, and will continue to do so until the end.

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D. B. Price, in his role of Santa Claus, distributed great and good things to the members of the Stock Automobile Association at the Christmas tree of that association last evening. Owing to numerous prior engagements this fellow of good cheer could not get around to the motorists, and so last evening he brought with him not only a sack full of good things but also Little New Year. The two were received at the conclusion of the Dutch supper served by the home[illegible] and which proved eminently satisfactory to some hundred or more members.

The arrival of the good fellow was announced by the tooting of bells and the blowing of horns, Santa using an up-to-date automobile for transportation purposes. Entering his way through the crowds that filled the front entrance and the stairs leading to the[illegible] Santa took his close to the Christmas tree and then, with the assistance of several members of the committee, which consists of George Dudley, James Forbes, Dr. F. B. Ross, C. F. Wheeler and Dr. Julius F. Hovestadt, got down to the[illegible] of the meeting. There was hair restorer for the bald-headed and a fine front row, now popular for those who do not require them, tin automobiles for those who possess good ones, rubber dolls for the family men, and a collection of[illegible] clothing, both[illegible] and unmentionable.

Every man received a present of some sort or other, and[illegible] of the entire matter was that each present had to be[illegible] by the singing of[illegible] and the showing of horns. Santa, using an up-to-date automobile for transportation purposes, bowled

CUPID'S FIRST NEW YEAR JOB: RICH BROOKLINE MAN SEEKS WIFE

...ung owner of Honeymoon Flats, who is seeking helpmate.

Plain Woman Will Fill the Bill Admirably—Society Lovers Are Barred.

Single life in Honeymoon Flats," No. 1267 Post avenue, Brookline, has palled on Joseph Keeuing, the wealthy proprietor, who is also the owner of the handsome apartments which are so largely occupied by young married couples.

He will narrow it to inside the right woman.

For nearly thirty years Mr. Keeuing has been a prosperous business man and he has succeed a fortune reckoned to be anywhere from $50,000 to $100,000. He is seeking for a helpmeet, for a wife with whom he may occupy one of his Apple Hill flats. Mrs. Keeuing's departed friend Pond in the Brookline Parkway.

"I have been on the lookout for a wife for a number of years," said Mr. Keeuing to a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter, "and I may say that I have received a hundred or more offers but I have not yet found my ideal.

The Kind of Woman He Wants.

Here is the sort of wife wealthy Contractor Keeuing is searching for, as he describes her in his own words:

"I want one about twenty-eight or thirty years of age. I prefer a woman of dark complexion. She must be a good, plain woman, one who will be a faithful wife and one who will make me happy and make me life enjoyable in the years to come.

Here is the kind of a woman that Mr Keeuing does not want to marry:

"I don't want any of the so-called society women, nice care leaves for society and the theatre and running around than they do for their own homes. I don't want any of those dashing women, whose whole heart goes out to dressing in clothes that they put on their own backs.

One to Share His Riches

And here is what any woman who comes up to Mr. Keeuing's ideals will have:

"All I wish is a companion to share one of these comfortable flats with me, and I shall be happy. I am looking for a wife to share a portion of my wealth.

Mr. Keeuing is a well known architect and builder. He has been connected with the Roofing Company, the Mission Church in Roxbury and the Brookline Manual Training School.

For the past two years he has been located at West Point, N. Y., where several new buildings have been erected under his direction.

SPENCER MAIDS TO CLEAR TOWN OF BACHELORS

Wedding Bells Will Work Overtime If Young Ladies Carry Out Their Plans.

SPENCER, Jan. 1. The girls here have compiled a list of Spencer's eligible bachelors, and those men of talent and means in the town. The girls are putting this question up to their sisters: "Will we single men to enjoy another year of freedom?"

The bachelors are Richard M. Kane, Michael C. Leary, Edward J. Leary, Timothy McNamara, George S. Prouty, Marcus Prouty, John Fleming, Michael F. Abbott, William E. Carey, Cornelius Sullivan, George H. Rimmer, Alfred C. Beaune and Eugene D. Mitchell-senath.

King, who is considered the best bachelor, when asked why he didn't marry said he did not have time to think of it. King is a Spiderman and wealthy. His partner, Fred Lamb, says his No. 1 chestnut and claims his partner is bashful.

Hanger is a deputy sheriff in the local and would undertake. If the women could vote, he says, Spencer would be a city and wealthy, and while they remain all have their eyes on him they expect to go out of Spencer for his partner through life.

ORPHANS HAPPY AT LEW'S SHOW

"It is worth it!" asked Lew Dockstader of the Globe Theatre, as he turned to his colleagues on the stage—obsolutely unable to proceed with his act because of the cheering, yelling, pounding of hundred clapping of hands from nearly 1,000 orphan children who were his guests at a special matinee performance of Dockstader's Minstrels yesterday.

Everybody on the stage laughed at the pleasure evinced by the little people, but it was, surely, tear trickled down Dockstader's cheek, and he spoke with his voice was supremely happy, and he let himself go to entertain those small auditors who so revered him.

The great feat for everybody concerned was that a cent admission was charged the show—but no adult could get in. It was Dockstader's private party for the children were brought in from the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Children's Aid Association, the Home for Destitute Children, St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, New England Home for Little Wanderers, St. Elizabeth's and the Episcopal Church Home.

Some of the jokes were a trifle "over their heads," they warmed up to Dockstader immensely and "Neil" can get them going with his topical When Dockstader asked them how many days there were in a year, one lad Leap Year," and the whole house in the audience felt like it he would say some remark into the "business." The mock imitation caught their fancy once and they called themselves hoarse especially at the finale. When Lew came in the guise of the "Celebrity" there a great fun, and then everybody posed a flash light picture.

"It was the very time I ever had my life," said Dockstader in a and the love and yelling that were there. Happy New

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THE BOSTON AMERICAN

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Happy New Year to Our Readers

Courage and Will Power to Make the Year a Success

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We begin this year offering to our readers thanks for their confidence and support during the year that has ended.

No newspaper in America has readers as loyal and devoted as ours.

To all our hundreds of thousands of readers, men and women, old and young, rich or poor, we wish a new year of happiness and of success deserved.

All of us human beings in America must work together earnestly in this coming year. We have got to make up for our own mistakes and for the mistakes of others—for which we are not responsible.

What should American citizens as a nation and as individuals do?

We must first get **FEAR**, timidity and useless worry out of our minds.

The nation is suffering from an epidemic of senseless worry.

A nation or a man can be **MADE** sick, if he is forever **TOLD** that he is sick.

Let us resolve **NOT TO TALK PANIC**, or talk fear, or pull long faces, or use up our energies predicting trouble to come.

Let us look at the bright side of life and realize that if we **HUMAN BEINGS** will only drop fear and stop whining, wonderful Nature will do everything for us.

NOTHING HAS HAPPENED: NOTHING HAS BEEN DESTOYED EXCEPT HUMAN CONFIDENCE AND HUMAN COURAGE.

We are just as well off as we ever were—better.

Our towns have not been destroyed. Brave San Francisco proved how little material disaster amounts to, when it **DOES** come, if brave men confront it.

Our population has not been killed off by pestilence. Our crops are marvellous, our cattle have not died, our mines have not run out. Coal still fills the hills, the oil wells are spouting, our great factories are there, with unlimited capacity for wealth production.

WE HAVE NOT LOST ANYTHING IN WEALTH.

We simply **LOST COURAGE.**

Let us resolve to get it back.

We have learned that some of our big men are thieves. Well, we knew that before—at least readers of **THIS** newspaper knew it.

It is no news to a Boston American reader to be told that managers of trusts, printers of watered stocks, dishonest manipulators of honest savings are a menace to general prosperity.

We have suddenly "discovered" what we all **KNEW.**

Let us try to put some of the convicted scoundrels in prison, and go ahead with the national business of building up a prosperous and educated people.

It is all a matter of courage, of refusing to join the whining crowd.

Begin 1908 with courage, with concentrated determination to make your work a success. Keep **YOUR** mind alert and cheerful. **THINKING ABOUT YOUR WORRIES WON'T HELP THEM.**

Talking about your worries simply kills possibility of good work and makes you a nuisance.

Don't listen to, or encourage, the long-faced croaker who stops and asks you, "Don't you think that things are going to get worse?"

Say to him, "Yes, worse for you, if you waste time croaking," and then leave him.

Many are going to neglect chances, from lack of deciding power. **YOU** go ahead and seize the chance. Don't be among the geese that hoard a little money. Don't **WASTE** money now or at any other time. But spend your money wisely, invest it wisely if you have any for investment. The man who invests now with intelligence, will see his investment jumping up in value about the time the frightened sheep turn around and begin buying all at once, as they will do.

There are men out of work, many of them, and it is a brutal and unnecessary calamity. Fear, bred of dishonesty in high financial circles, has put these men out of work. The big rascals whom this newspaper has denounced every day for years are responsible for idleness, the money scare that paralyzes business, industry and prosperity, just as fear will paralyze a physical body.

But it will do no good now to stand around and merely **DENOUNCE.** Fortunately the panic did not take away a man's vote, although it may take away his job. The man, convinced at last that it is wrong to have a government by corrupt financiers, will have a chance before long to vote for different conditions, if he cares to seize the chance.

Meanwhile, the great thing is to **GET TO WORK AGAIN.**

The idle man should make every effort to get work at **SOMETHING,** no matter **WHAT.** He should determine to earn **SOME** income, big or little.

Any kind of work is good and honorable.

Any income is better than long-continued, demoralizing idleness. Last Summer's chauffeur shoveling snow may be pathetic—he is.

But he makes a better appearance than the same man whining in idleness. **GET AT SOMETHING.**

For those that have real energy we offer this suggestion.

This is your **GREAT CHANCE.**

These times of fright, like war times, gives a man a chance to show what he has in him.

There are wonderful opportunities to be had now—for those that can see them. The country is as rich as ever—and soon the hiding money will come peeping out. This is not going to last. Children frightened by a ghost story soon get back their color and go to playing in the old way.

A sane, better balance and highly prosperous time will follow close upon this "scare." Money will begin to creep out timidly, then it will come out with a rush.

Opportunity will come **AHEAD** of the money.

Watch the opportunity, seize it, be ready for the turn of the tide.

We wish our readers material success—for that is necessary to freedom from mental distress.

We hope that the successful will justify their success by working for others and helping them.

GOOD LUCK FOR 1908—and after.

What Sort of Editorials Are Most Widely Read?

... annual meeting of the Boston Wesleyan Association, Dean ... Warren of Boston University had this to say of the edi... this column:

... which daily paper's most reading in and ... have you noticed ... exception these ... ON AMERICAN'S ... to instruct? I ... condemning their ... ir form, and I ... because they ... truly the peo... and they get

The other evening I asked the chief editor of one of Boston's most-approved daily papers if he had noticed a good editorial in the yesterday's AMERICAN. He replied that he had been commending it all that day, and he added that he read the AMERICAN'S every issue.

Two thousand years ago Aristotle wrote at the beginning of his metaphysics, "All men by nature desire to know." His statement still holds good. People want to know, if it is suited to their ... attainments.

KING KAZOOKS

Ye ... King Kazooks selecteth ye fat boy, Bill, for ye nomination, and nameth him as ye Crown Prince. Ye bad boys of ye neighborhood, observing ye good fortune of Bill, and being exceeding envious thereat, resolve to lay for ye aforesaid Bill and likewise to do up ye same!

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THE HALL-ROOM BOYS

THEY DO IT ON $13 PER

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SAY, FERD, WE NEED HANGERS SEE - THEY FOLD UP
THIS IS JUST WHAT A COUPLE OF COAT
SURE! SO MUCH HANDIER THAN HANGING OUR COATS OVER THE BACK OF A CHAIR.
1
GEE - HERE COME THE MILLIONBUCK GIRLS ACROSS THE STREET. WE MUSTN'T HAVE THEM THINK WE'VE BEEN IN THIS 5 & 10¢ STORE. LET'S SLIDE INTO BIFFANTS NEXT DOOR. WE WON'T BUY ANYTHING, AND JUST ABOUT THE TIME THEY GET OPPOSITE WE'LL COME OUT
IT'S LIKELY THEY BIFFANTS THETTLE BOUNDFOR. I HEARD ETHEL SAY LAST NIGHT SOMETHING ABOUT LEAVING HER WATCH THERE FOR REPAIRS
2

HAVENT YOU ANY VANITY BOXES IN THE SOLID GOLD?
NO: WE ARE ALL OUT OF THEM AT PRESENT, THOUSH WE WILL HAVE MORE IN A FEW DAYS.
WELL PERC, I GUESS WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT. I DON'T THINK SHED CARE FOR THE STERLING SILVER
3
YOU'RE RIGHT FERD - THEY ARE COMING IN HERE. QUICK - WE'LL MEET THEM AT THE ENTRANCE.
4

HA: HA! WE'RE TOO WELL ACQUAINTED WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE CAUGHT IN ANY OF THE SAN ONES. WE ALWAYS KNOW WHERE WE LAY OUR HANDS ON A FEW HUNDRED DEEDS
YES WE'VE BEEN BUTIN A PAIR OF JEWELED LORGNETTES FOR AN OLD MAID AUNT OF OURS. SHE'S WORTH ALL KINDS OF MONEY AND WE'VE NEVER DONE ANYTHING TO OFFEND HER
AT BIFFANTS? EVIDENTLY YOURE NOT FEELING THE HARD TIMES
5
HEY MISTER - GEE - I DIDN'T THINK I'D FIND YOU. THE GIRL IN THE 5 & 10 JUST FOUND OUT THAT SHE CHARGED YOU A NICKEL INSTEAD OF A DIME FER THEM COAT HANGERS AN' SHE'LL LOSE THE
WELL GOOD DAY MR HALFORD I TRUST YOUR AUNT WILL BE PLEASED WITH HER JEWELED LORGNETTES
YOU DON'T MAKE GOOD
6

Welcome to 190...

BY HARRY B. METCALF

WE'RE jolly glad to welcome you,
Bright-eyed young "Nineteen Eight;"
We know you'll be, ere you get through,
A year full-grown with fate.

YOU'VE many things cut out for you.
To change the "status quo"
T. R.'s successor will
You'll kindly le...

YOU'LL guide
fleet
(We trust)
They'll warn
To stay wit...

AND here
Win pr...
If you will
Of graft i...

AH, yes, t...
In "New...
Now sing the...
That savors

FOR your indu...
(What need
The question that
Their dalliance (if

SO merrily we welcom...
You'll not be with
But may you give to each h...
Ere Old Time rings the gon...

Following the Style

By Wex Jones

BRYAN'S shooting ducks in Texas
Potting them for fair;
Soon he'll punch the solar plexus
Of a grizzly bear.

Taft will soon be getting busy
Chasing mountain goats,
Scaling precipices dizzy
With an eye to votes.

Knox, along the boundless prairies
Bothers less with law;
Catching wolves in manner airy
By the dripping jaw.

Fairbanks, wrenching all the habits
Such a statesman hath,
Bloodily pursueth rabbits
Down his garden path.

Hughes, regarding with suspicion
The chicken-stealing hawk,
Appoints a Public Hunt Commission
...kill it dead with talk.

...still hasn't running
Cannon much the same;
Candidates who don't go gunning
Aren't in the game.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

THOUGHT

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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THOUGHTS do not need the wings of words
To fly to any goal;
Like subtle lightnings, not like birds,
They speed from goal to goal.

HIDE in your heart a bitter thought,
Still it has power to blight;
Think Love, and though you speak it not—
It gives the world more light.

Ask Yourself These New Year Questions

By Prof. Frank Parsons

AS on a mountain journey we find it best to pause on the summit of each slope to look at the path we have travelled and examine the country ahead of us and choose the best path for the next climb, so it is well at the opening of each new year to take a little time ... grasp the lessons of the past and lay out our path for the future.

The New Year resolutions with which we hedge our way for the coming year should be the result of careful inquiry and thorough understanding of ourselves and our possibilities.

The fundamental question and its chief derivations may be stated thus:

Am I living the best life that is possible for me?

Am I getting all I can of the good things of this life, giving all I can in return and doing all I can to leave the world better than I found it?

Am I doing my work the best I know how?

Am I using my leisure in such a way as to improve my mind and character?

Am I doing all I can to develop my earning power and increase my value as a worker to the public and my employer?

On the world's final test of value—genuine service—what is my present worth, and what am I doing to raise my worth?

Am I saving and investing my money to help improve my condition in life?

Am I taking a long look ahead, or spending my time and money in smoking, drinking, loafing, gambling and dissipation?

Am I a pleasant companion, a warm and reliable friend and a devoted member of the family group?

Am I an honest and conscientious citizen, doing all I can to secure the nomination and election of honest men to govern the state and nation?

Do I stand for a square deal all round—demand it and give it in the home and on the street car, the railroad office, the editor's office, City Hall?

Am I the kind of man that my mother would have me be and that I want my boys to be?

Am I living on the highest plane with the fullest and strongest activities of which I am capable, physically, intellectually and morally, industrially, politically and socially?

On such foundations one may base a broad resolve and vigorous action. For example, "I will take pencil and paper and put in one column every item of my present condition and method of life, and in a parallel column the corresponding items of ideal—the life I would lead if I could; and will then consider carefully how I may best transform my life from the first column to the second.

"I will get my friends to help me hold the mirror to my life, so that I may see myself as others see me, and I will do my utmost every day to make good progress toward the richer and fuller life, the greater usefulness and more devoted service of which I know I am capable."